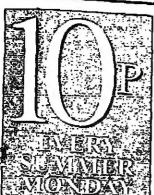
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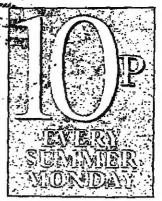
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Hunt for victims of child sex ring



IN CHARLEROI

BELGIAN police are convinced they are on the trail of a gang of murderous paedophiles after discovering the decaying bodies of two eight-year-old girls at the weekend. The bodies, trussed and folded into blue plastic sacks, were dug up in the back garden of Marc

Dutroux, a 39-year-old jobless electrician, in the southern Belgian village of Sars-la-Buissière. At least six more children may have been victims of the child sex network centred on the city of Charleroi, according to Michel

Bourlet, the prosecutor. The au-

hodies of abused and missing children at various locations. Mr Bourlet says that at least seven victims have been cruelly treated and killed since 1984.

parently starved to death. Mr Bourlet said yesterday that Mr Dutroux had locked them up while he was detained by police in a separate investigation and had given them money for food and

By the time he was freed in February, Mr Dutroux is said to thorities are searching for more have told interrogators, the child-

ren had died. Another corpse believed to be an adult male accomplice who wanted to betray Mr Dutroux - was also excavated from under the tiled patio in Mr

search for bodies at the Gloucester house of Fred and Rosemary West, with blank-faced, rubber-gloved forensic scientists, a policewoman choking back tears, an angry crowd, and the loud hum of

The Belgian press was quick to

"house of horror", but, as in the case of the Wests, there was nothing remarkable about the narrow building and its small garden, nor about Mr Dutroux and his trim

Instead, they may be in a hole."

Mr Dutroux almost by accident. A passer-by noted the number of his van when he allegedly snatched Lacritia Delheze, a 14-year-old girl, as she was walking back from a swimming pool on August 4.

The number was traced and a lengthy interrogation began. Police found Laetitia and Sahine Dardeene, 12, who had been missing for about three months, in a makeshift concrete dungeon in the

roi. Mr Dutroux showed police a hidden entrance to the cubbyhole. The girls were not seriously injured, but the parents of Lactitia say she was raped. Both girls were

Mr Dutroux and an alleged accomplice, Michel Lelievre, have been charged with kidnapping and illegal imprisonment of children. Mr Dumoux's wife will appear in court today to hear the charges

rives to his back garden after they questioned him about other cases of missing children. Few doubt the claims of La Derniere Heure

Ministers split over **ID** card squabbles

ing a backlash among Conservative backbench MPs angered that the Union Jack might be dropped from the national identity card to avoid offending nationalists in Northern ireland.

The final details of the voluntary card have yet to be agreed after days of Whitehall infighting over the EU and UK symbols which will appear on the small plastic

document. Home Office sources last night blamed the Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, for agreeing to allow the EU flag to be included on the new driving licence which will be combined with the identity

The sources claimed that Sir George, an ardent pro-European, had already agreed that the distinctive flag of 12 gold stars against blue background should be on the licence. His move had left the Home Secretary with no room to manoeuvre on getting it

Mr Howard's move to place the Union Jack alongside the EU flag was blocked by Sir Patrick Mayhew, the North-ern Ireland Secretary, who warned that flags were a highly sensitive issue in the

province. Instead the Royal Crest is the most favoured option to appear alongside the ÉU flag. But the move has infuriated Conservative backbenchers. who accused the Government of giving into nationalists and

David Wilshire, the vicechairman of the Tory backbench Northern Ireland committee. said: "It is staggering. It shows the extent to which the Government is prepared to appease and sell out



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MICHAEL HOWARD is fac- to Dublin. The English will

tle, Now John Major is expected to settle the dispute.

appearance of the card delaying or overshadowing the launch of a scheme that has already attracted vehement opposition from Tories. Mr Howard was jeered when he unveiled his plans for a voluntary scheme at the Tory party conference in 1994.

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You'll never catch me walking around with

Nicholas Winterton, Con and if people don't want to live in this country they can get



The two eight-year-olds had ap-Dutroux's garden. The scene in Sars-la-Buissière blonde second wife. Michelle Maryesterday was reminiscent of the

mechanical diggers.

They have two young children, the eldest three years old. Neighbours could not recall screams or suspicious comings and goings. "It makes you think about all the missing children, doesn't it?" said one of the calmer spectators, a 50year-old postmistress. "They disap-

Man held as Belgian police find two bodies under patio pear and you think: they are ill, they are lost, they will come back. drugged and sexually abused. Police stumbled on the trail of

> against her. The electrician took the detec-

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By ARTHUR LEATHLEY AND RICHARD FORD

not tolerate being told that we cannot display our UK status because a few hundred thousand people will not like it." servative MP for Macclesfield. said: This is our national flag

Mr Howard had planned to announce the Government's intention to bring in a volun-tary scheme today but the launch has been delayed because of the Whitehall bat-

The Prime Minister, who returned from holiday yesterday, has been kept closely informed while abroad and will be involved in lastminute discussions this week.

Mr Major is anxious to prevent the dispute over the

dog, was taken to hospital with serious head, leg and chest injuries. The pilot, Joan Parry, 45, who was flying to a rally in Woburn. Bedfordshire, had only minor injuries British magnate's son shot dead in Honduras

Joan McInerney, 65, was trapped for an hour under this Tiger Moth after it crash-landed on the promenade at Jaywick, Essex, yesterday. Mrs McInerney, who had been walking her

By STEPHEN FARRELL

WILLIAM WATES, 19, son of TENS of thousands of stu-Andrew Wates, the multimildents will be competing for lionaire builder and part-ownfewer university places than at any time since a single system er of Rough Quest, this year's was established when the Grand National winner, has dearing process for rejected been shot dead in Honduras. Police believe the young Briton was waylaid by robbers

For the first time, more than 200,000 higher education places have been filled before clearing begins. Universities are expected to make offers to up to 60.000 more candidates this week, leaving the opportunities for second-chance applications down by a quarter.

Students

compete for

fewer places

By JOHN O'LEARY

applicants opens today.

Tony Higgins, the Chief Executive of the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service, said that record A-level results and a reduction in the number of initial choices had contributed to the speedier allocation of places.

Course guide, Section 3 took a year off school before

studying ancient history at Nottingham University. His

at Arenales, near Danli. 50 miles east of Tegucigalpa, the Honduran capital. His body was found beside a road last Thursday. Mr Wates had been travelling in South and Central America for four months after spending two months with World Challenge, a voluntary

organisation in Ecuador, Detectives in Honduras are seeking two men thought to have left a hotel in Danli. The youngest of five brothers. William Wates was a

father is chairman of Wates Leisure and a director of Wates Building Group, the family construction firm. He and Tim. 30, his eldest son, are flying to Honduras today. The family learnt of the

young man's murder on Friday. As his mother Sarah was being comforted by friends. Mr Wates, 55, went ahead with plans to host a previously scheduled open day for em-ployees at Henfold House, his country mansion in the Surrey Downs near Beare Green, Dorking.

As he entertained staff, none of whom knew of the tragedy. he said: "William had a great future ahead of him. We will all miss him desperately. This news has come as a terrible shock to us. William was a

much loved son and brother with a wide circle of friends. We spoke to him last Sunday he was having a marvellous time and looking forward to coming home. It is hard to imagine a more enthusiastic, more likeable, happier, kinder person. He had a gift for

friendship. Mr Wates, a prominent figure in the racing community, rode in the 1968 Grand National and won the Foxhunters at Aintree. He is a close friend of the Royal trainer Ian Balding, and takes an active part in preparing horses at the Henfold House stables, where Rough Quest was trained.

He praised the British Ambassador in Honduras, but said details of the incident were still scant: "I'm still not Continued on page 2, col 6

for which they were given. But in a

world where the pressure for financial

achievement has never been greater.

church leaders acknowledge that

Brian McHenry, a barrister and a

leading lay member of the General

Synod, who helped to initiate the

changes, said he knew of few cases of

outright fraud. "But transparency is

critical. People want to know that

when they are giving money, it is

being handled in the proper way."

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Thou shalt not steal from the collection plate

BY RUTH GLEDHILL RELIGION CORRESPONDENT

NEW accounting rules are to be sent to all vicars to make it harder for them to break the eighth commandment:

Thou shalt not steal" The Church of England has decided that clergy should not be led into temptation by the haphazard and idiosyncratic accounting methods that have sprung up in many of the 13,000 parishes in England. Collections will no longer be en-

check the figures - while proper systems will also be demanded for signing cheques, paying into banks

and opening envelopes containing cash. The change is designed to prevent cases such as one reported this year, where a vicar and churchwarden were accused of stealing more than The Church has also decided to change the way parochial church

councils, which manage their local

church councils need not register as independent party will be present to charities, they are in effect charitable bodies and as such are to be brought into line with new legislation on accountability in the 1993 Charities Act. Although there is no evidence of widespread fraud, church managers concede that vicars or their staff occasionally do succumb. The problem has arisen because the management of church councils has until now depended on trust.

church, run their finances. Although

Parishioners assume that their of-

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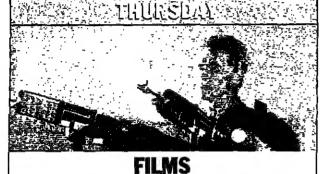
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Spy successes put IRA on the defensive

AND STEWART TENDLER

THE IRA has begun one of its most far-reaching internal investigations after a series of damaging undercover opera-tions by the security authori-tics, according to intelligence

The IRA's "Engineering De-partment", which is responsi-ble for developing bomb-making techniques, has been undermined by recent operations and new weapons have been seized. A recent raid by police in the Irish Republic uncovered a significant manufacturing and storage depot. The Garda believes it halted the depot's operations before be delivered to terrorist cells. A man suspected of being the former head of the "Engineering Department", which is part of the IRA's general headquarters staff, was recently arrested by the Garda but released

The IRA's investigation is being carried out by its so-called "Security Department". also known as the "Civil Administration Section". Police and other security sources

underline the benefits of a

exaggerated but it was useful to define those we needed to

attract. The next campaign

needs to be more accurately

defined. We now have much

more information about peo-

ple that allows us to use direct-

mailing more effectively and

to target particular groups."

M & C Saatchi, the agency

that produced last week's

much criticised advertise-ments depicting Tony Blair with "demonic" eyes, is dis-

plans for a "target audience".

Campaigns in marginal con-

stituencies will be supplement ed by targeting areas in which many new jobs have been

recognise that the support of

skilled workers, especially

those that are self-employed -

widely portrayed as the Basil-

don Man who helped secure

four Tory election victories -

is not enough to win the next election. Polisters suggest that

the C2 group, which made up

one third of the electorate in

1979, has shrunk to little more

than a fifth.
"We have to be more radical

created under Tory rule. Tory and Labour leaders

The 'Essex Man' idea was

An escaped IRA terrorist was back behind bars in Northern Ireland last night after Britain won a four-year legal fight to extradite him from the United States. Jimmy Smyth was flown from San Francisco on Saturday night in the custody of an RUC officer and will now serve the last 15 years of his 20-year sentence for the attempted murder of an off-duty prison guard in Belfast. Smyth was one of 38 inmates who escaped from the Maze in 1983 and claimed he would face persecution if returned to Ulster. Three others have also been fighting extradition.

and the discovery of large caches of arms and equipment in the republic and London have disrupted what was planned to be a continuous

mainland, beginning with the huge bomb explosion at South Quay in London's Docklands on February 10. Although the

IRA has demonstrated that it

has the ability to overcome

supposedly secure organisational structure are expected to have a long-lasting impact. There have been reports of numerous IRA cells lying low on the mainland. However, it is known that

the organisation has recently switched tactics, Instead of deploying units of young and relatively inexperienced hom-bers. IRA leaders turned to more senior activists to continue the attacks.

large stocks of weapons and the disruption of the terrorists

A senior security source said: "We're still effectively in

compaign on the mainland, even though there have been no incidents in recent weeks."

The IRA's seven-man "army council" is expected to pursue a twin-track strategy, protecting the organisation's assets but also showing it is still in business. Although the organisation appears to be lying low. on the mainland, police remain on the alert for another "spectacular" attack. One police source said: "They will want to show they can still do things, for the benefit of the British Government and also for their own people."

Conservatives to appeal to economic winners

Tories drop attempt to win back 'Essex Man'

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SENIOR Tory strategists are preparing to ditch past election tactics aimed at wooing "Essex Man" in a final effort to win back lost voters in marginal constituencies.

Baroness Thatcher's strategy of trying to win over skilled workers in the C2 socioeconomic group is to be replaced by a broader campaign to attract voters who fear that they could lose out under a Labour government.

Tory strategists are also anxious to target female voters more effectively, after polls suggested that the greatest drop in support for the party since the last general election has been among women. Under plans to be an-

nounced next month to cut Labour's huge lead in the opinion polls, Tory strategists are preparing an onslaught of campaigning literature and advertisements centred on politically pivotal regions such as the West Midlands, the North West, and London, which contain many key marginal seats. One senior strategist said the campaign "needs to be broader than in the past. We will target parents of children at grant-maintained schools, those who have private medical insurance or than trying to lump voters into members of a particular trade one category based on earnor profession in an attempt to ings," said one Tory source

Thatcher: focused on the C2 voters

esterday. The idea of a Basildon man or Worcester Woman or whatever is simplistic nowadays and we have to refine our tactics. Many people who claim to have deserted us are still nervous about Labour; we have to make clear there is a difference between us."

The Tories came under further attack over the advertisement portraying Mr Blair as having red, demonic eyes. holiday to be met with Labour demands that he disown it. The Advertising Standards Authority is investigating the advertisement.

Senior Labour figures seized on continuing Tory uncase over the campaign, which was originally planned to be a oneoff set of newspaper advertise-ments but which senior party sources suggested yesterday might be re-run.

Labour leaders accused the Prime Minister of sanctioning a smear campaign against Mr Blair and called on him to disclose whether he had approved the campaign and whether he would prevent it

being used again. The president of the Welsh Conservatives, Sir Eric Howells, last night became the latest senior party member to criticise the advertisement. saying it "cheapened" politics. Virtually all the Conservatives that I have met since this ad came out agree, possibly not as strongly as I do, that they didn't like this type of advert and feel we should not go down this road." he told

One of Tony Blair's closest colleagues was yesterday under fire from within his own party for being too prominent in putting forward Labour policy. Roy Hattersley, the former Labour deputy leader, singled out Peter Mandelson. Labour's election strategist and MP for Hartlepool, as one of Mr Biair's advisers who concentrated too much on presentation rather than poli-

BBC news.

"The obvious example is Peter Mandelson, who seems to be in the paper far too often. who seems to be on television far too often, who seems to take himself, and be taken, far more seriously than I think is appropriate." he told GMTV's

Sunday programme. Senior Labour shrugged off Mr Hattersley's criticism, saying that Mr Mandelson had been appointed to a front-bench role in which he was expected to put across the party's message.

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Sunshine brings worst tailbacks of the year

NEWS IN BRIEF

Beaches were crowded yesterday as much of the country enjoyed temperatures ten degrees higher than normal.
Roads to most resorts were jammed as temperatures reached an estimated high of 31C (88F). The RAC said the sunshine had created the worst weekend queues of the year. The London Weather Centre forecast even hotter weather today, with some thunderstorms. Only western parts of Scotland and Northern Ireland missed out yesterday with cloudy, cooler weather. Some of the outer islands even had rain.

MP in neighbour case

Ken Maginnis MP, the Ulster Unionist spokesman on security, has been questioned by police after an allegation that a 65-year-old neighbour in Belgravia was punched during a dispute over late-night noise. The Metropolitan Police said yesterday that a report had been sent to the Crown Prosecution Service.

Police to carry CS sprays

Police in England and Wales are to carry CS sprays while on patrol. The move, to be announced on Wednesday, comes after a six-month trial in which the French-made spray has helped officers to disarm attackers. An interim report seen by police chiefs and Home Office officials found no evidence of long-term damage to health.

Islanders fight sale

The Hebridean island of Eigg goes on sale today for £2 million, a week before the 63 islanders launch their own appeal to buy it in partnership with the Highland Council and the Scottish Wildlife Trust. They are expected to apply for lottery cash. The German artist Marlin Eckhard Maruma bought Eigg 15 months ago for £1.6 million.

Grate work of art saved



A painting by a leading 19th-century British artist could be worth up to £10,000 after being restored following its use as a fireplace draught excluder. The sunset by Francis Danby. leader of the Bristol School of Painting, was blackened with soot after being wedged in a chimney. It will be revalued on BBC 1's Antiques Roadshow on Sunday.

Hacker adds porn and mockery to Major's Internet message

and offensive comments have Internet under the Tory logo. Conservative Central Office has begun an investigation into how the material appeared on a page carrying information about York University Conservative and Unionist Association.

Pornographic photo-graphs were displayed on the page, which can be read by millions of computer users worldwide, alongside a welPrime Minister's signature and the caption "John Ma-

Reports of the student society's meetings were altered to include calls for Mr Major's execution by firing squad and visits to Conservative students by Hitler and Mussolini. Details of the association committee's trip to a London conference were altered to suggest that it had involved visits to sex shops and

prostitutes. A message from Mr Major Prime Minister appeared to refer to himself as a "hasliar" and to admit that "I have presided over the greatest betrayal of our bomeland

since God knows when". A Central Office spokes man said: "This is a serious matter. We have spoken to the university and they are as concerned as we are. They will move to deal with the problem. We hope that inves-tigation will shed light on who tampered with the site."

Sentencing remains regional lottery despite guidelines

BY FRANCES GIBB, LEGAL CORRESPONDENT

SENTENCING remains a lottery with huge variations between courts in different parts of the country as to how often they jail offenders, according

to a survey published today. It finds that despite three sets of guidelines to courts on sentencing since 1989, incomsistency is still widespread. ranging in the magistrates courts from 2.4 per cent to 10.5 per cent across England and Wales. Courts in the constituences of Michael Howard, Home Secretary. and Anne Widdecome, Home Office minister, are softer than courts in the opposition

spokesmen's constituencies. The survey, by the National Association of Probation Offiers, found that someone convicted in the magistrates' courts is seven times more likely to be jailed in Chesterfield than Wakefield and four times more likely to receive probation in Huddersfield that at Bow Street in London.

The figures, from 1994. show that a person is more likely to receive a community penalty in Folkestone or Maidstone, the constituencies of Michael Howard and Anne Widdecome, than in Blackburn, constituency of the Labour home affairs spokesman. Jack Straw.

The crown courts were less inconsistent than magistrates. jailing 40 per cent of offenders at Woolwich compared to 66 per cent at Luton — a narrow-ing of the range by five percentage points since 1988. But magistrates were also entence imposed. For all indictable offences, the national average was 3.2 months, but courts varied from 4.5 months in Swansea to 2.1 months in

Blackpool. Harry Fletcher, assistant general secretary of NAPO, said: "The various attempts to reduce inconsistencies in magnot thus far worked. Sentencing remains a geographical lottery. It is difficult to understand why a person is three times more likely to be jailed in Tameside than neighbouring Trafford or why they are

twice as likely to be jailed in

South Sefton than Liverpool."

Water firms may be forced into sharing

BY ROBIN YOUNG

WATER companies could be forced to share supplies during drought, even when it is not in their commercial inter ests, under new powers sought

by the Environment Agency. The quango has also suggested to the House of Commons select committee on the environment that it should have powers to oblige companies to supply it with their contingency plans for dealing with shortages and to provide their water-resource plans for

the future. A spokesman for the Water Services Association, representing nine of the major companies, said: "If the Environment Agency brings forward detailed proposals, we will have to consider them, but

a lot of co-operation goes on already. It pre-dates privatisation by decades.

Wessex Water shares access to South West Water's Wimble Ball reservoir in Devan, Severn Trent is investing to supplement its resources with supplies from Rutland Water. in the Anglian area. Folkestone and Dover Wat-

er Services, a subsidiary of the French Compagnie Generale des Eaux, is negotiating to bring extra supplies from France through the Channel Tunnel's cooling pipes. The water would be supplied by two independent firms in the

most seriously affected by

Briton shot in Honduras

altogether sure what happened. I've been receiving information from the Foreign Office, but I'm going to fly out there to try to establish exactly what took place."

The Foreign Office issued renewed guidance on Honduras to travellers on July 6, pointing out that "the incidence of violent crime, including armed robbery, burglary and assault continues to rise" The guidance differed little from carlier warnings in force when William would have left Britain earlier this year, a Foreign Office spokesman

During the Central American wars of the 1980s, the small, peasant hamlet of Arenales in the southern Honduran province of El Paraiso, was a no-go area with a reputation for violence (David

Several hours by twisting gravel and dirt roads from Danli, the provincial capital, local peasants eke our a living from small cash crops of coffee and tobacco, Situated in a remote, mountainous region of the Honduras-Nicaragua border. Arenales was the scene of CIA covert operations to build up the rebel anti-Sandinista Contra army in the early 1980s, infiltrating small

commando units into Nic-

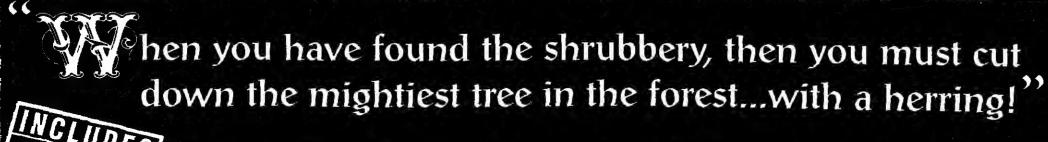
Until the war ended in 1900. the wooded mountain valleys of El Paraiso province were dotted with a string of regional command camps where Contra troops hivouacked between incursions. On off-duty nights. the Contra military leaders earned a reputation for harddrinking, and hell-raising in local villages where they went in search of beer and local prostitutes. Many a drunken

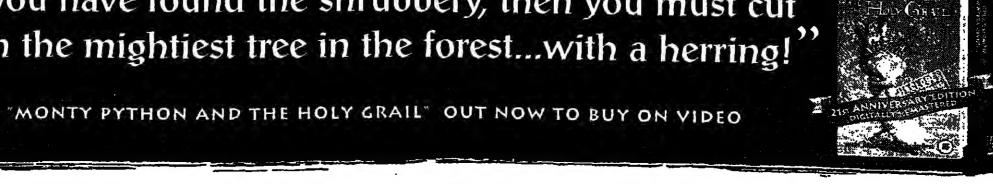
brawl ended in violent exchanges of machete blows or

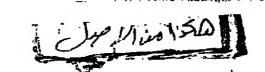
pistol fire. Unco-operative peasants, and some suspected of being Sandinista spies, were "disappeared" into the Honduran night by Contra death squads. Only after the war ended in 1990 was the dangerous border mad eastwards from Danli reopened to local traffic and development workers who have tried to rebuild the

local economy. ☐ Each year more than half a million Britons go backpacking abroad, often in remote areas far from the tourist trail. Many, like William Wates, are students taking a year off between school and uni-

versity. Parents often oppose the choice of destination of their offspring, but can do little to stop the instinct for exploration and adventure.







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Belgian paedophile case highlights an international business involving 200 gangs in Britain alone





Two months after she was kidnapped, Sabine Dardenne, 12, is helped into a police car before being reunited with her parents. She was found with Lactitia Delheze, 14, who had been abducted on August 9

A sinister global enterprise of malign ingenuity

BY RICHARD FORD

THE discovery in southern Belgium of the bodies of children in garden of a convicted paedophile has highlighted the sinister multimillion-pound busi-ness of worldwide child sexual abuse. It is a global enterprise involving paedophile rings, child sex tourism preying on pre-pubescent children in the Far East, videos and

In Britain alone police estimate there are two hundred paedophile

ren themselves. The National Criminal Intelligence Service has information on about 4,000 convicted or suspected paedophiles.

Most of the rings contain up to five individuals, usually men but sometimes women, and modern technology has allowed them to spread their networking worldwide on the Internet.

Paedophiles can network within jails or after infiltrating schools, children's homes and other organisations working with young people. Once employed in the organisations they exchange inforto other rings either abroad, where child prostitution is rife, or inner cities, where children are on the

Within the rings paedophiles exchange photographs, contact magazines and addresses. Chief Superitendent Brian Mackenzine, president of the Police Superintendents' Association, said yesterday: They operate like any other special interest group. Networks and rings

form by word of mouth. Individuals will exchange pur nography and quite often they will

out and it is difficult for the police to break down.

The networks can be very complex and in one case children who ran away from homes were lured to London by a "safe" name and address, forced into a paedophile ring and as they got older were made to abuse recent arrivals. The aim is to turn the child into a perpetrator, making it less likely that the ring will be broken by a complaint to the police.

Paedophiles are frequently obsessive and meticulous organisers. Mr Mackenzie added: "They are

prolific organisers and paedophilia is an obsession involving a lot of planning and plotting against their

In some rings paedophiles will used abducted children for the making of home-made videos of sex acts. Videotapes of children taking part in sexual activity with middle-aged men can fetch up to £250 each. Technological developments are

also helping paedophiles and child pornographers to preserve their secrecy and escape justice. Alarm has grown within the police that they are using new encoding techwithout outside

They post pornography on the Internet together with instructions on how to use encryption to safeguard themselves. Films and still pictures can be transmitted through the system, which links home computers via phone lines. Paedophiles network across the world to exchange information and experiences. In "Operation Stardust" last year, police discovered pictures on the Internet of children

as young as three involved in

sexual acts. Three main types of

offender who seduces pre-pubescent children with attention and gifts over a period of time; the introverted offender who is likely to abuse strangers or young children

The malign ingenuity with which paedophiles attempt to gain access to children was shown last month when Steven Roy Mitchell, 44. from Walton-on-Thames, became the first Briton to be convicted in the Philippines under a law aimed at ending the country's reputation as a haven for paedophiles. Mitch-

Prayers and blame over nation's lost innocents

FROM ROGER BOYES IN CHARLEROI

FROM the church of St Christopher to the church of Our Lady, the distressed burghers of Charlerol were on their knees yesterday praying for the safety of their

As mechanical diggers carved out holes in the back garden of Marc Dutroux in the search for more corpses. so the citizens of Charlerol

since the Bois du Cazier." said 60-year-old Mireille Dumont, comparing the new horror to the biggest mining disaster in the Belgian Black Country. More than 250 died in 1956, scarring the memories of a generation.

That disaster also happened in a hot August. This time the death toll is far lower, but again the whole community feels as if everyyne is affected.

Everybody names of the two eight-year-olds, Julie and Mélissa, dug up from the garden. For 14 months, their parents have plastered the pictures of these two children on bridges and stuck posters on walls in railway stations and supermarkets. The slogan said Melissa and Julie SOS".

with a telephone number. Local people yesterday lined up to place flowers on the doorsteps of the parents whose houses were shuttered in mourning. Schools are still on holiday, but the children have begun to return to the city and, in an ineffectual gesture, many parents are confining them to their

Despite the arrest of Mr Dutroux and his alleged accomplice, there is still a deep feeling of unease. Henri Trousson, a barman, said: This is something fundamental. A city has so failed its children."

The failure is almost inev itably laid on the shoulders of the police. The list of disappearing children is a long one, as if a benighted Pied Piper had somehow lured them all away and into a distant mountain.

But in this dark, heavily industrialised city, full of smoke and circled by disused coalpits, it was always easier to concentrate on keeping jobs than on the needs of the



Flowers hanging on a poster of two missing girls



Marc Dutroux and, below, the house of secrets



Hunt for sex ring victims

Continued from page 1 newspaper that a network of paedophiles has been at work. Police have raided 11 houses and detained three more people. Books by the Marquis de Sade and a number of video tapes were seized during one of the raids," said one Belgian journalist close to the

Mr Dutroux and his alleged accomplices appear to have had a large number of houses. Two of the young girls -

Julie Lejeune and Mélissa - disappeared 14 Russo months ago. Their parents have travelled the world following tip-offs about their whereabouts, including a visit to South America. Yet both Mr Durroux and Michelle Martin - who denies involvement in any crime - were on the police computers. According to newspaper reports. Mr Dutroux was jailed for 13 years in 1989 on kidnapping, rape and sexual abuse, while

six years. Three years later they were freed and living again in the Charleroi area. Although Mr Dutroux was questioned by police in a separate case last winter, he was freed without charge. Some of the seven bodies unearthed were killed as long ago as 1989. Belgians are outraged that the couple were not more thoroughly investigated when the two eight-yearolds disappeared in June 1995.



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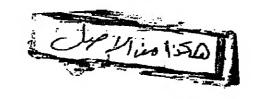
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Freelance plans to ignore Queen's plea for privacy

BUCKINGHAM Palace officials will discuss today whether to begin legal action against who have been told to stay away from the Balmoral

Jim Bennett, 49, one of the four paparazzi to have received letters from lawyers acting for the Queen, said yesterday that he had no intention of agreeing to the request. Mr Bennett's decision came as it emerged that the Queen requested the move to secure some privacy for her grandchildren. Senior members of the Roy-

al Family are becoming increasingly concerned at the effects of media intrusion on the younger royals, especially Prince William. The 14-yearold Prince, who has become a prime target for the long ses of the paparazzi, has told the Prince of Wales of his worries about being photographed during the summer

Prince William arrives at Balmoral later this week with Prince Harry and the Prince of Wales. They join the Queen, the Duke of Edinburgh, the Princess Royal and Prince Andrew with Princesses Beatrice and Eugenie.

The legal action is designed to give the younger members of the Royal Family a bit of privacy," a Buckingham Pal-



A Special Branch officer advising photographers outside the church attended by the Queen yesterday

ace spokeswoman said. "The Queen wants younger members of the family to enjoy the estate as much as she does

"It's very difficult for them to enjoy their holidays when people are peering at them through long lenses - even it is from a public footpath. are being used so that photographers can virtually spy on members of the Royal Family who are just trying to spend a few moments alone with the young ones," she said.

Royal aides have been discussing for months the potential problems if young Royals become resentful of the media. In due course, Prince William will take up public duties which involve co-operation with the press and tele-vision. An amicable relationship is unlikely if the young

media at an early age. The Queen asked the trustees of Balmoral Estate to write to the photographers 22 weeks ago, requiring them not to enter the estate again without permission. They were given until last Friday to sign an undertaking agreeing to the ban. If the Queen's request

prince is alienated by the

be sought to keep them outside the estate. Mr Bennett, who is the only

one to have responded, said lawyers defending his actions and contesting the grounds for a ban. "In my opinion, they [the trustees] are not yet in a position to stop people from doing public walks. Every map of the area shows it is a public walkway on which people are encouraged to walk.

"It is not my fault that, out of 50,000 acres, Prince Charles and his two sons decided to have a meal at a spot where the public can go."

He was referring to a con-frontation on April 13 when Mr Bennett and four other freelances noticed the Prince of Wales with his sons heading for the Glas-Alt-Shiel Loch Muick. Mr Bennett said that he and his colleagues were stopped by two Special Branch officers shortly after they had left the public car

He daimed that the officers had said photographers could not go up there with their cameras as it was private land. Mr Bennett and his colleagues disputed this. Four photographers, including Mr Bennett, carried on and one turned back

Mr Bennett, who said he



Photographers in waiting yesterday as members of the Royal Family arrive at Crathie Church on the Balmoral estate

had been shocked to receive the letter from the Queen's lawyers, was anxious to distance himself from Martin Stenning, the former dispatch rider who is the subject of a separate injunction by the Princess of Wales.

'I am a professional and the reason I am speaking out is that I do not want to be tarred with the same brush as that photographer in London," he

said. "I have been covering the Royal Family for 15 years and I have never had any major problem."

Mr Stenning, who is banned from approaching the Princess, was attacked in the street outside his home in Southwark, south London, early yesterday. Two men approached him, one claimed he had insulted his friend, and promptly gave Mr Stenning a

black eye. Officers are now waiting to take a full statement from Mr Stenning today.

A dozen press photographers, including three paparazzi from London, were taking pictures of the Royal Family at Balmoral yesterday, when the Queen attended Crathie Church, accompanied by the Duke of Edinburgh, the Duke of York and Princesses mander Tim Laurence, who were married at the church, were also present.

It was the first church service during the Royal Family's annual two-month holiday in the Highlands. About 400 wellwishers — the largest number for several years gathered outside the church to catch a glimpse of the Royal

Mourning for murdered vicar at communion

BY PAUL WILKINSON

PARISHIONERS of the Rev Christopher Gray, the clergy-man killed outside his own church last week, gathered for the first Sunday communion since his death. Some wore black and others wept as they arrived at the modern brick and glass building in the heart of a run-down inner city area less than a mile from the Anfield home of Liverpool Football Club.

At the church entrance were two tables covered with letters and cards carrying condolences from churches of all faiths all over the country. Most offered sympathy and support but one card, from a bouquet left by a wry Scouse wag, summed up the clergyyan who achieved an Oxford double first but elected to serve the people of a decaying urban parish: Brilliant, but rubbish at pub quizzes".

Many of the parishioners had walked past the spot on the street only yards from the entrance to St Margaret's Church where Mr Gray, 32, had been fatally wounded early last Tuesday morning, apparently as he counselled a distressed man.

Yesterday's service was conducted by the Archdeacon of Liverpool, the Ven Robert Metcalf. Before the service he said: This is a bereaved community, a bereaved family, and it is my pastoral duty as a priest to be here with them today to lend my support. This is the normal Sunday Eucharist which Christopher would usually have conducted himself." Al-

most 150 members of the parish joined him in singing hymns selected specially for "Oh Jesus I have promised to serve thee to the end", and the readings included the celebrated Old Testament passage

to the day when swords would be turned into plough shares. In his address the Archdeacon said he had first met Mr Gray when he wanted to become a curate in Liverpool. "I recognised a brilliant young man who had so much to offer. He said he wanted to serve in urban Liverpool ... he was saying clearly that he believed God had called him to be a priest and that he was responding to that call, a sacrifice of other possible careers and ultimately a sacrifice of his life when fulfilling that calling. I had met a man of deep faith, one which he sought to share with others.

from Micah looking forward

Christopher followed in his Master's footsteps, he did not seek gain for himself, he cared humbly for the people who needed to know God's love. The finest tribute to his Christian ministry is to continue it.

The Bishop of Liverpool, the Right Rev David Sheppard. during his sermon in the Anglican cathedral in Liverpool, also referred to the death of Mr Gray. He asked his congregation to believe that. "at the end of a dark week". there was still hope that young men and women like Mr Gray would respond to God's calling and turn away from financially profitable jobs to serve people in other ways.

attacks to Caroline's murderer

FRENCH police believe that lar incidents at youth hostels

suffocate a British schoolgirl in the resort of St Lunaire. three hours before Caroline 13, from Launceston, Cornwall, was murdered at another hostel 25 miles away in Pleine Fougéres, it was

reported yesterday. reported until the party returned to England and heard

the two may be linked."

The French detectives in Launceston have details of two other incidents in hostels in the St Malo area. On July 15, a Dutch student awoke to find a man leaning over her bed. She screamed and he fled. On August 10 a man entered sev-

The 14-year-old victim from Salford, Greater Manchester, was saved when one of the girls sharing a room with her was woken by her choking and shouted at the attacker. The man ran off, but a teacher allegedly did not believe the story and the matter was not

had not immediately been informed, the headmaster of Hope High School, Alan Hewin, said yesterday that the incident had happened the night before they were to return home. "It was reported to the British police when we heard that Caroline Dickinson had been murdered. Naturally, everyone feels very uneasy that

Police link By JOANNA BALE

the man who raped and murdered the British schoolgirl Caroline Dickinson could be responsible for three simi-On July 18, a man tried to

about Caroline's death. Asked why French police

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Wily old seabird outlives albatross to take record

A SEABIRD which nests every year on an uninhabited Orkney island has gone into the record book as the oldest known wild bird in the world. The female fulmar is aged more than 50. Scientists have been moni-

toring the bird on Eynhallow since the early 1950s and are astonished at how long it has lasted.

Peter Cosgrove of Aberdeen University said: "It still has beautiful white feathers, not like an old bird at all."

He said the fulmar had officially become the world's oldest bird after a blackbrowed albatross ringed at the same time failed to return to its nesting site in New Zealand this year. The fulmar. known to scientists as number 57, was one of the first birds to be ringed when a research project, headed by the late George Dunnet, started in

Dr Cosgrove, who took over



The fulmar: no predators

the project last year, said: This is the longest-running bird study in the world. When we heard the New Zealand albatross had not returned. we knew our bird was the oldest. Fulmars have no natural predators and they just seem to go on and on. Most reach about 20 or 30 years old. Number 57 still returns to

Orkney to breed most years. She is quite exceptional." Fulmars (Fulmarus glacialis) are members of the petrel family. Dr Cosgrove described them as Britain's version of the albatross. At the only breeding colony in Britain was on St Kilda, where the islanders caught them for food and fuel. With the advent of industri-

al fishing, the fulmar spread through the country and there is now a population on virtually every sea cliff. The birds defend themselves by spitting out a vile, oily liquid, the smell of which can persist on a victim for more than a week.

Dr Cosgrove said: "Fulmars have proved a great success story since the turn of the century. One thing we do not yet know is whether the birds go through a meno-

He did not doubt that there were wild parrots in South American jungles older than the Orkney fulmar, but none had been ringed or recorded. Eynhallow, the site of a 14thcentury monastery. lost its human population to smallpox in the 19th century.

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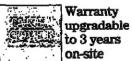
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Action to tackle inner-city vehicle pollution 'getting nowhere'

By PETER FOSTER

PLANS to set up "pollution police" to clamp down on drivers of vehicles with illegal exhaust emissions are floundering because of bureaucratic delays and lack of funding, according to motoring groups and local authorities.

Six months after ministers announced an initiative to improve the air quality in inner cities and more than a year after the move was first proposed the RAC, opposition MPs and town halls have called the scheme a shambles. Powers granted to local authorities under the 1995 Environment Act have

appeared into a bureaucratic black hole", they claim. Chris Cawley, assistant di-

rector for pollution at Westminster City Council, said: We were told by ministers in February we would have last-ing powers and that they wanted to get on with it. Six months later we haven't even seen draft regulations."

Although the Environment Act gave local authorities powers to check vehicle emissions at the roadside, no extra money was provided to carry out the tests. A working group which included police. local authorities, motoring organisations and the Departments of Transport and the Environment was set up to assess whether a self-financing scheme was viable and how it should operate.

The Department of Transport said yesterday that lawyers were drafting regulations for a pilot scheme to begin in five local-authority areas at the end of this year. If the trials were successful a national scheme could be in place

Dr Jeremy Vanke, head of public policy at the RAC, said the Government's policy on vehicle emission standards amounted to little more than publicity stunts with no genu-ine commitment to improving the environment. He said:

Smoky vehicles can be reported to the Vehicles Inspectorate on regional hotlines. Callers must give their name and address, the registration number of the vehicle and the time, place and date of sighting. If your vehicle is reported you will be given ten days to obtain a clean emissions certificate from your local test centre. Regional hotline numbers: South East 0181 665 0885: Western 0117 953 1924; South Wales 01443 224771: Eastern 0116 276 2411: West Midlands 0121 789 7999: North West 0161 494 9085: North East 0113 288 7818: Scotland 0131 244 6521.

Many legal and administrative questions remain unanswered and there is no sign of those problems being resolved.

Michael Meacher, Labour

spokesman for environmental protection, said that he would be writing to Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary. He said: "No resources

have been provided and the

Whitehall bureaucracy is sitting on its hands." The Association of Chief

Police Officers (ACPO) said yesterday that it would not commit itself to emissions testing until it was certain that councils would pay for police **Bristol and Canterbury City**

Councils, who have lobbied hard to be part of the trials. both called for government money to back the project. Andrew Roberts, director of architecture and engineering at Canterbury, said: We are very aware of the impact of the motor vehicle on our day-today lives but would need ernment assistance to get

Research published by the AA shows that about 50 per cent of traffic pollution is caused by just 10 per cent of vehicles.

The Vehicle Inspectorate. which is an agency of the Transport Department, currently earries out roadside testing but has only limited resources. The inspectorate's Smoky Vehicles hotlines received 16,304 calls in 1995-96 with action taken in more than half the reported cases.

Martin Maeso, assistant leader of research and environmental policy for the AA. said that increasing funds to the Vehicle Inspectorate would

dealing with pollution. He said: The self-financing scheme is fraught with problems. The Home Office has the on-the-spot fines shouldn't be much more than E40, which makes the finan-cial viablity of the scheme extremely questionable."

Air quality is plunging in the current hot spell. The London Weather Centre has forecast poor air quality in the capital today because of high levels of nitrogen gases. linked with car emissions, and ozone, caused by the effect of strong sunlight on exhaust

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Clergyman

cost Church

£50,000

The Church of England has spent £50.000 helping those abused by Chris Brain, the

disgraced dergyman wightran Sheffield's Nine O'Clock Service. A year since the scandal broke, ten women

are still being counselled.

Priest attacked A Roman Catholic priest was

attacked by a patient during a service at Broadmoor Hospi-

Poor diet, unhealthy habits and lack of fitness are crippling Britain's dancers, report says

Dancing on air, gasping for a beer and a smoke

By Dominic Kennedy, social affairs correspondent

THE dying swan in Swan Lake may really be dying for a cigarette, a bar of chocolate and glass of beer, according to a health survey of Britain's dancers. The apparent visions of athletic grace gliding about the stage frequently suffer serious consequences from un-



Bannerman: given a lift

healthy lifestyles and poor fitness training.

More than eight out of ten

professional dancers are injured each year because their bodies are left vulnerable by poor diet, long hours and draughty rehearsal rooms. They are also more prone to colds and flu. Some are said to be only marginally fitter than

Dance tutors are now being encouraged to break the bad habits, pursued since the early days of ballet in the court of Louis XIV, and adopt the lessons of British Olympic sport science, including the study of anatomy and warmup techniques.

The study Fit to Dance? was supported by Dance UK, the national organisation for Britain's 25,000 professional dancers. It surveyed 658 ballet. contemporary, jazz and tap dancers and dance students, watched 250 performances and conducted fitness and



Grace under pressure: amateur dancers taking a break during rehearsals. Professionals are not much fitter than even the average Briton

nutrition tests. The researchers concluded that dancers in Britain were less aerobically fit than counterparts in the United States and Russia. The dancers' own definition of fitness tends to mean flexibility rather than stamina and endurance.

Diets were found to be notoriously unhealthy, with too many still believing the myth that "food is the enemy". One dancer told researchers: "It's chocolate, cigarettes, Kit-

more fatty foods than other sportspeople and fewer fruit and vegetables. To replace fluid, they mistakenly drink strong tea, coffee, beer, lager and wine.

Forty per cent of the men and 36 per cent of the women admit to smoking. The report says: "Some begin smoking only upon arriving at school, partly to cope with the unfamiliarity and pressure, partly

Kats and Coke". They eat able and partly to suppress appetite."

Professor Christopher Bannerman, one of the report's editorial team, remembers how he was left incapable of tving his shoe-laces for three months because of a back injury with London Contemporary Dance Theatre. He trained with weights in a gym and, when he returned to work, found he had become much fitter: "I leaped into the air and wondered why everyone else was going down to the ground so soon. I was fit for the first time."

Professor Bannerman, now head of dance at Middlesex University, said: "Some dancers are marginally more fit than the average person in the street in terms of aerobic fitness. They say: I want to express myself and look beautiful - [don't want to jog'."

Half of the dancers surveyed had chronic injuries from early in their careers. commercial management spent £38.000 on understudies and extra rehearsals to replace injured dancers.

The cost can be high. One

However, Shirley English, physiotherapist to the English lational Ballet, said a new reluctance to teach full pliés in classes could put dancers in danger when they faced a demanding sequence: "If you don't put them through that movement, they will have their kneecap pulled off."

tal. Father Martin Laker needed stitches to a head wound after being assaulted at the top-security hospital in Crowthorne. Berkshire.

Holiday death

A Briton has died in a water bike accident while on holiday in Florida. William Alexander McCauley. 26. a soldier stationed at Catterick. North Yorkshire, hit his head while trying to jump the wake

Police raid parts

An illegal drinking den at a disused country house in Buckinghamshire was raided by police early yesterday. There were il arrests for drugs offences when more than 50 officers arrived as 500 people held a party.

Crushed boy dies

A boy aged 8 was crushed to death when an army lorry slipped down a bank at a balloon festival in Northn. The arriver lost co: trol as he was leaving a Territorial Army display. Six other people were injured.

Brahms and Liszt

A pub which promises to ban musak and pop music has opened in Clifton, Bristol. The Composers' Bar bolds weekly concerts of classical music, provides it on tape at other times and is decorated with the busts of composers.

Specialist halts octuplets treatment after authority refuses to pay

A SPECIALIST in multiple births has stopped treating Mandy Allwood, the mother expecting octupiets, because a health authority has refused to pay for his

Kypros Nicolaides of King's College Hospital, London, has bowed to Solihull Health Authority's decision that she could be treated equally

Midlands. A spokeswoman for King's said yesterday: "Without that referral, she is not Kypros's patient." He had declined to treat her without charge as that would set a precedent. "Solihull told us that they would reconsider the case at a later stage," said the spokeswoman,

Miss Allwood was reported vesterday to be determined to continue being treated by Professor

estimated at £500,000 if all the babies are born alive. She could try to continue treatment with him by appealing to medical charities or by

Alternatively, she could try to pay for her care privately through the £1 million sponsorship deals she hopes to arrange through Max Clifford, her publicist. She has been offered a six-figure sum for her story by the

News of the World. Solihull wants her to discuss her maternity care and does not rule out a later referral to the specialist hospital.

Professor Nicolaides saw Miss Allwood for three hours on Saturday, keeping an appointment he made before Solihull's decision. A leading expert in ultrasound, he gave her pictures of scans of her foctuses, showing that they all looked healthy and that two were

identical twins. She first felt them kicking last Thursday. Professor Nicolaides has recommended that Miss Allwood terminates some of the babies to give the others more

keen all eight. Miss Allwood was referred to him by her consultant in Birmingham. Dr Manjit O'Bhrei. Solihull declined to approve the referral

because it has contracts with hospi-

chance but she has decided to try to

the area. Miss Allwood has been hiding

tals in the Midlands to provide

maternity care and believes Miss

Allwood would be better treated in

from the media with her boyfriend. Paul Hudson, in Wandsworth, southwest London, and could look for a family doctor in that area prepared to accept her as a patient.

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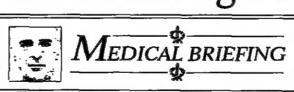
Chefs feel heat of latest research on beefburgers the recent warm wea-ther has brought back

smiles to the faces of farmers who are completing their harvests. Too busy to read the papers, many may well have missed an item which in pre-BSE days would have caused concern.

Now that farmers have been hardened by years of adverse publicity, the latest research from America into beefburgers barely warrants a mention in the bar of their local. Doctors from the Ohio College of Medicine report in the Journal of the American Medical Association that they have uncovered a tenuous burgers and developing non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. The journal is a well-regarded American publication and re-search published in it is taken seriously by doctors throughout the world.

Although there is an epidemic of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in the western world, a cause has not been found and about 4.000 cases are diagnosed annually in the United Kingdom. Some of the cases being treated are known to follow damage to the immune system, whether as a result of disease, as occurs in those infected with HIV, or following essential treatment for other conditions: for example, when immune-suppressant drugs are given for the treat-ment of other malignant disease, after transplant surgery or in some types of connective tissue disease, such as SLE (systemic lupus erythemato-

An association has also been noticed between non-Hodgkin's lymphoma and melanoma, the malignant moles which sometime arise



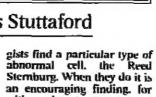
Dr Thomas Stuttaford

as a result of excessive expo-sure to sun. It is possible that the increase in numbers of both of these separate malignancies is a sequel to the sunworshipping that became firmly established when fureign travel became easier after the Second World War. A few cases of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma are known to be a late result of infection with a

The good news for farmers is that in the Ohio research. hased on \$4,000 local women who had their diet analysed and compared with the incidence of non-Hodgkin's lymhoma, the connection with beefburgers seemed to be entirely with the method of cooking and not with the nature of the meat.

his time it may be the restaurateurs who have to alter their habits, not the farmers. All forms of meat other than beefburgers were exonerated and any associ-ation with beef was present only when it was cooked in this way. It seems that the cancer-forming power of the beefburger is apparent only when the meat is overcooked or burnt.

A lymphoma is the form of cancer which attacks the cells of the lymph glands and spleen. Hudgkin's disease is best-known lymphoma and in these cases patholo-



with modern treatment most

cases of Hodgkin's disease In non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. in which Reed Sternburg cells are absent, the lymphoma is classified according to the type of lymphtotic cell which has been overtaken by the malignant process (and therefore named B or T-cell lymphuma). by the malignancy the cells are displaying and by the way in which they are

spreading. The diagnosis of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma is usually made when the patient discov ers a painless enlarged rubhery lymph gland. In many cases the gland is first found in the neck or grain. About a third of the patients at the time of discovery are seriously anaemic, which worsens later as the malignant tissue spreads, often to the stomach

As a terminal event, many people with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma develop a leukaemic-type blood picture. Whereas often the disease initially develops slowly and no treatment is required in the early stages, later on radio-therapy and chemotherapy are used. Although this does not effect a cure, life is often prolonged for many years.



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Rare Renaissance bronzes may be diverted from Fitzwilliam Museum to Swiss taxman

Family challenges art bequest to Cambridge

ARTS CORRESPONDENT

THE Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge faces legal action over a multimillion-pound be-Jquest of Renaissance bronzes whose ownership is being

The family of the late Kath-leen Sherek, who lived in Geneva and who was left the collection by her brother, disputes whether she promised it to Cambridge long before her death. The Swiss are also considering whether the collection might need to be passed to Geneva in lieu of inheritance tax.

Scholars describe it as one of the world's outstanding private collections of Renaissance bronzes. It was long assumed that the bequest was going to Cambridge.

A statuette by Antico (circa 1460-1528), court sculptor to the Gonzagas in Mantua, is among the most prized works in the two dozen bronzes. Antico, who was born Pier Jacopo Alari Bonacolsi, and



Kathleen Sherek

who was influenced by Mantegna and Donatello, derived his nickname from restoring antique marbles, though he also created bronze statues in an antique style. Such is the rarity of this master on the open market that Bonhams sold Antico's Hercules for a record £3.08 million last May.

The collection, known as the Sherek Bequest, was put together in the 1930s by Colonel Thomas Boscawen, a younger son of the seventh Viscount Falmouth. Unable to afford to live in England, he worked as a farmer in Africa, owning

extensive plantations.

One source said: "The collection didn't cost a fortune. The market was so low then that anyone clever with only a little bit of money could do wonderful things. In the 1930s, museums were desperately poor and the financial crises worse than now." The colonel is remembered as "very cultivated and very retiring, a product of another age."

He collected bronzes because they were among the few hardy works of art that could withstand the African weather, At Boscawen's death in 1958, the collection was left to his sister, the wife of Henry Sherek, a theatre producer and impresario. When he died in 1967. Kathleen Sherek left London to live Switzerland.

She freely let scholars see the collection and lent items to

whether the bequest was mentioned in her will.

"It was always understood that the collection was destined for the Fitzwilliam," said one observer. It is believed that Mrs Sherek felt that her brother would have wanted the collection to go to Cam-bridge, where he had been a

At the end of last year, Geneva introduced an "acceptance in lieu" system, partly modelled on the British version, in which inheritance tax can be paid with works of art. A lawyer said: This is a major change in Geneva, affecting its role as a haven for collectors."

It appears that the family is contesting the bequest because of the need to pay taxes. Asked if the works were likely to be subject to inheritance tax, Pietro Sansonetti, director of tax affairs at the Geneva tax authority, said: "The question is still open. It is an issue that is still pending,"

The Fitzwilliam was unable to comment.





Works by Antico are among the most highly coveted by collectors of bronzes

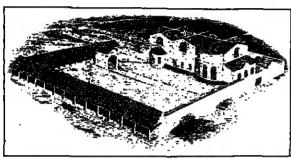
Scotland to London rail fare cut to £19

A RAIL company is cutting the fare from Scotland to London to just £19 to challenge cheap air tickets. The single fare is available on all East Coast services from Glasgow Central, Motherwell and Edinburgh to King's Cross as long as tickets are booked at least seven days before travelling.

The price cut is a bid by Sea Containers, which was awarded the East Coast franchise four months ago, to undercut discounted air fares as well as bus services. It comes days after Ryanair UK reduced its return Glasgow to London fare to £49 and rival airline EasyJet said it would double its flights to the capital.

Christopher Garnett, chief executive of East Coast, said he was confident of winning a large share of the airline market: "The £19 fare is part of a E4 million marketing cam-paign designed to promote the advantages of taking the train into the heart of London."

East Coast runs 20 trains a day from Scotland. The fastest journey from Edinburgh to



Artist's impression of Caerleon bath house

Welsh fortress where troops faced tribes

In the last of our series on Roman Britain, John Young explores the fringes of the empire, where an invader's fort faced a native capital



THE Roman fortress of Isca was established at what is now Caerleon, on the banks of the River Usk in Gwent, between 74 and 78 AD. Along with Chester and York, it was one of the three great legionary strongholds in Britain. built, like Chester, to withstand attacks from the in-

subordinate Welsh.

For centuries after the Romans left, Caerleon thrived as the principal port of the region, being overtaken by Newport, at the mouth of the river, only during the industrial revolution. Although now virtually a suburb of the new port, it is close to lovely countryside extending up the valley, with many pub-lic footpaths and picnic sites, and deserves more visitors than it gets.

The most striking survival is the great bath house which was not rediscovered until 1877 when a small section of mosaic pavement was uncarthed during road works. It was not fully excavated until between 1964 and 1981.

The baths are now splendidly displayed within an attractive modern building. a 20th-century substitute for a huge vaulted basilica, 216ft long and 70ft high. The extensive remains on view include the floors and walls of the changing rooms and bath house and the large outdoor pool.

Caerleon also boasts the only visible remains of a fully fledged Roman barracks in Britain, which occupy part of a small. pleasant park next to the rugby and cricket pitches. Excavated between 1927 and 1929, they are thought to be part of a complex of 60 similar blocks which for three centuries provided a permanent home for the

Second Augustan Legion. On the other side of a quiet side road is the amphitheatre, excavated at about the same time as the barracks. It is the only one of its kind in Britain to have been fully exposed and long before that was associ-

ated with popular legends of King Arthur and the Round Table.

Near by is the Legionary Museum, founded in 1850 by industrialists who formed the Caerleon Antiquarian Association. The present building was com-pleted in 1986 and incorporates its predecessor's colonnade. It attracts 50,000 visitors a year, about half of them school groups.

It houses an outstanding collection of sculpture, pottery, tombstones and burial urns, the inscriptions enhanced with a red dye which, though it appears curious at first, greatly increases their legibility. There are also tiles, domestic utensils, craftsmen's implements, coins and - most fascinating of all - a collec-tion of 88 exquisitely engraved gemstones found in the baths in 1979.

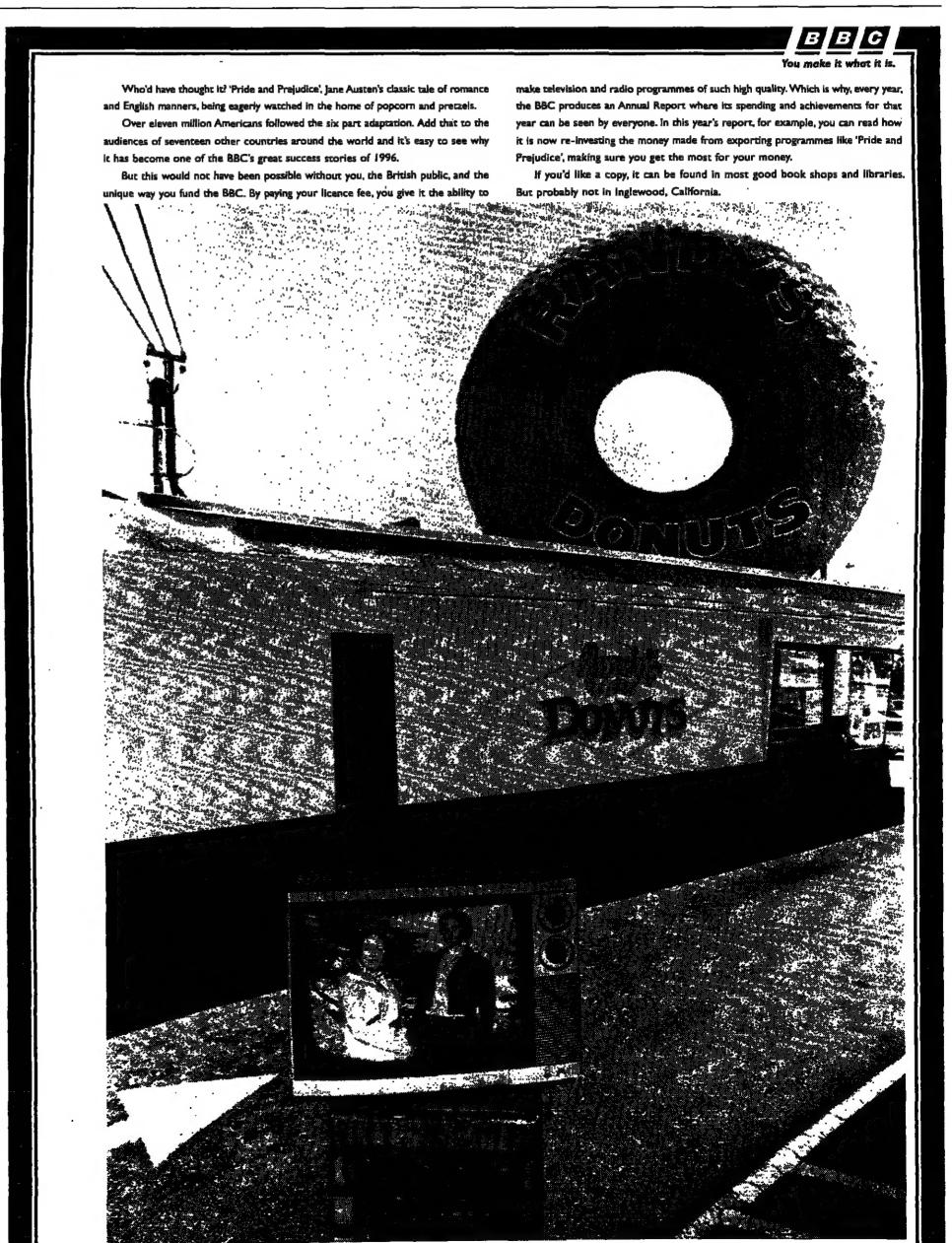
Caerleon is a must for anyone seriously interested Roman Britain. For good measure, about ten miles up the road to the east Caerwent, formerly Venta Silurum, the capital of the Silures tribe, it is now a small, peaceful village, happily bypassed by the main road.

The most outstanding remains are those of the great defensive walls, which form a rectangle of just over a mile in perimeter and provide a pleasant



walk along the top. Not far away is a small excavated section of the great forumbasilica and the Romano-Celtic temple, the latter was not built until 330 AD, which suggests that it could have been an early centre of Christian worship. In the porch of the Church of St Stephen and St Tathan is a stone with an inscription dedicated to Tiberius Claudius Paulinus, commandant of the Second Augustan Legion and later Governor of Britannia

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Investors shaken by South African murder

FROM INIGO GILMORE IN CAPE TOWN

AMID increasing concern about South Africa's crime problems, fuelled by the recent upsurge of vigilante violence. the murder of a German executive has shaken the country's nervous foreign businesses and injected a sense of urgency into the Govern-

ment's anti-crime strategies. Erich Ellmer, 48, financial manager of the South African branch of AEG, was shot dead outside his home in Johannesburg in a botched hijacking by gunmen who fled emptyhanded. The murder dominated news at the weekend. drawing condemnation from politicians, concern from business leaders and anger from

The bastards shot him in the back," said his wife Jutta, an employee of ARD TV, the German television network, who planned to leave the country with her two young children after 12 years. Frau Ellmer, who had previously considered leaving South Africa because of the crime, said: "There is so much crime and violence and no law in this

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country. The police just cannot

The words might have come from one of countless South Africans who daily telephone local radio shows across the country to voice their anger over crime. For whites in particular Herr Ellmer's murder was spine-chilling. Like many other Johannesburg residents, the family lived in a

tion Against Gangsterism and Drugs in Cape Town has struck a chord with crimeweary South Africans. Every day brings news of new vigi-lante action. Faced with well armed and well drilled vigilantes, the gangs are marching in protest, troops and extra police have been sent to the Cape Flats and the issue tops the political agenda.

6 There is so much crime and violence and no law in this country. The police just cannot handle it 9

house protected by high walls, razor wire, dogs, alarms and

security doors. For increasing numbers of South Africans the answer appears to lie in vigilantism. Community anger has led residents of white suburbs to form armed patrol groups and the mushrooming of township vigilantes.

The emergence of a Muslim vigilante group. People's Ac-

At the weekend a South African newspaper reported that neo-Nazis from the Afrikaaner Resistance Movement had been hired by Cape Town ganglords as protection

from anti-drug militants. White men with blacked-out faces were seen last week directing a gang cavalcade as it drove towards a police station shortly before a shootout between anti-gang activists, gangsters and police officers in the Cape Flats.

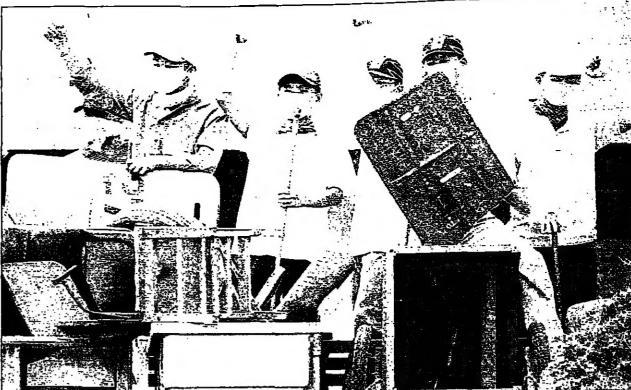
The Government complains that the international media is obsessed with violence and says it is getting on top of the problem. But the news that Dullah Omar, the Justice Minister, has moved out of his home in the Cape Flats amid concerns for his safety, is hardly a vote of confidence.

Nearly two million crimes were reported last year, with only half solved, including 36.888 rapes. 18,983 murders and 66,838 armed robberies.

Herr Ellmer's murder has

prompted BMW to reconsider ment announced earlier this year. Last week the tourism board said that the number of visitors rose by 0.2 per cent in the first five months of this year, compared with a 30 per cent for the same period last

Durban: Gunmen shot and burnt to death five people, including two children, aged three and seven. in KwaZulu-Natal province at the weekend, the police said. (Reuter)



South Korean students demanding unification with the North dely police from behind barricades at Seoul's Yonsei University last night. About 1.000 were trapped inside a police cordon after five days of violence (Nick Long writes). Most of the demonstrators were in the science block, threatening to set off explosive chemicals if

Korean students at bay

the building was stormed. A sign hanging from the roof read: "We want to go home". But the students refused to surrender without a guarantee of immunity. The Government has promised to punish the group and to root out Hanchongryon, the

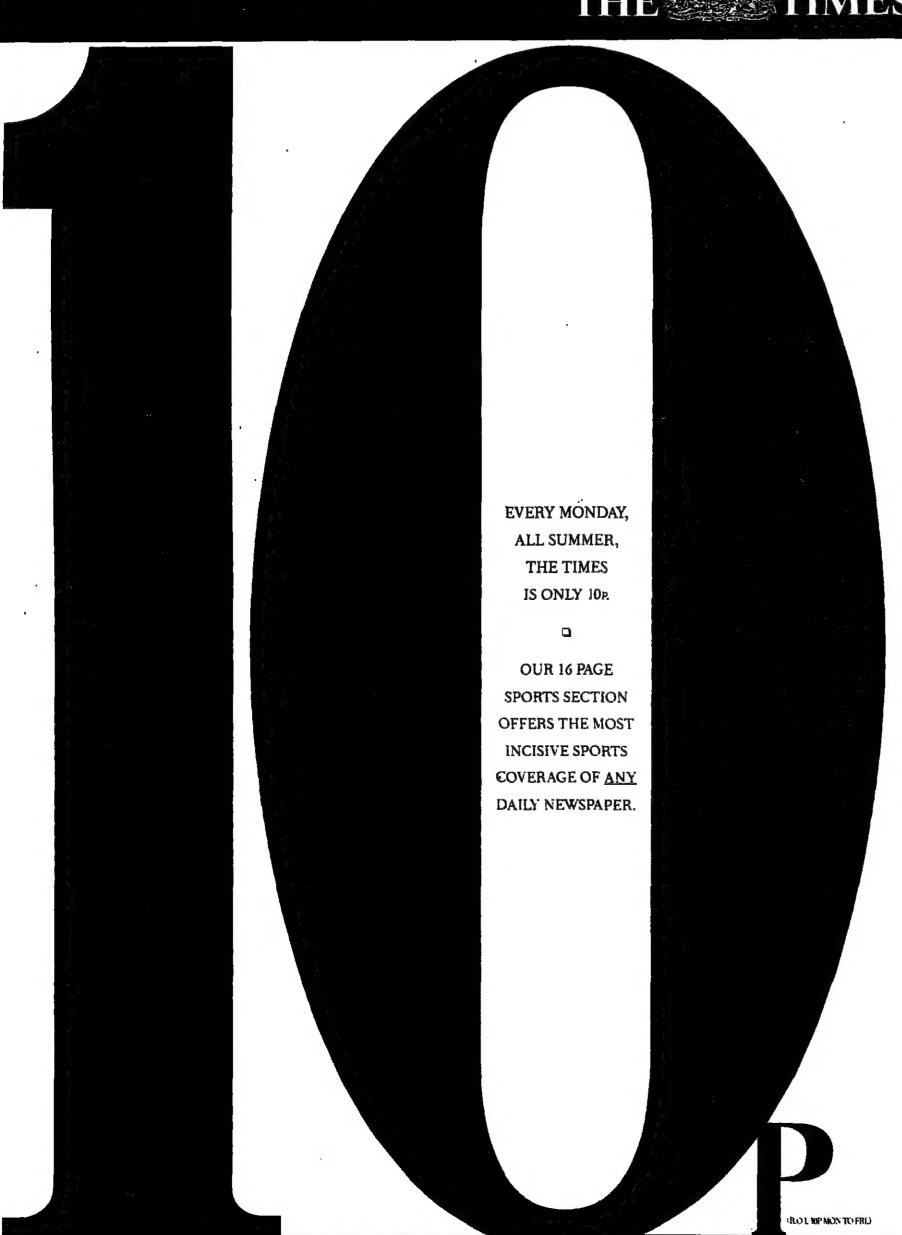
Federation of Student Councils, which sponsored the

Up to 12,000 police have been deployed in and around the university. Police who tried to break through the barricades out-side the building yesterday

were beaten back by several hundred students hurling rocks and wielding metal pipes. During the past week. more than 1.000 students and police were reported injured and about 1.700 students were detained. Most were released. The students are also demanding the withdrawal of about 37,000

US troops from Korea.

THE TIMES



Colony in despair at **'Chinese** takeaway'

FROM JAMES PRINGLE IN HONG KONG

IN THE window of a souvenir shop at the terminal of Star Ferry, linking Hong Kong island with Kowloon, a T-shirt for sale depicts China grasping Hong Kong between chop-sticks, and the words read: "30 June, 1997 - the Greatest Chinese Take-Away".

The caricature seems to sum up the mood of resignation among Hong Kong Chinese in this city state, population 6.3 million, with less than II months to go before China takes over sovereignty of the colony. "There's not much anyone can do about it." says one Hong Kong businesswoman. "A lot of people feel now they would just as soon get it over with."

Visitors returning to Hong Kong after an absence of a year or two will find new physical evidence, big and small, of its irreversible fate. There are the Bank of China banknotes featuring the bauhinia flower, an orchid adopted as the symbol of the future Special Administrative Region (SAR). On a bigger scale, there is the Chinese Foreign Ministry building going up at the corner of MacDonnel Road and Kennedy Road on Hong Kong. It is being paid for by Li Ka-shing, the pro-Peking tycoun who is one of the world's richest men.

The building is likely to be the nerve centre of China's authority, replacing the Xinhua news agency that has represented Peking's interests until now. The agency's offices have often been the focal point of pro-democracy protests.

Just a few hundred yards away, across the lush Hong Kong park, an imposing eightstorcy building to house the future British Consulate-General is nearing completion. Yet, the British are annoyed - with themselves. Due to an

astonishing lack of foresight. the authorities failed to build a taller structure to allow several floors to be used as residential flats for future consulate staff. "Now they will be thrown on the market like everyone else and forced to pay astronomical prices," said a British lawyer here. "It's a fine building but the

feng shui may not be propitious," said an engineer on the project, pointing at the Bank of China, a sharp side of which leans like a knife over the future consulate. Feng shui (wind and water) is an important oriental art applied to enhancing and harmonising surroundings of homes, buildings, and even rooms.

WORLD SUMMARY

Women of India fight back

Delhi: A housewives' Bill has been introduced in the Indian parliament, calling for paid housework and a legally enforceable day off for women in the home. Women would be able to choose which day they want off and if the family demurs, the housewife could summon the police (Christo-

pher Thomas writes). The Housewives (Compulsory Weekly Holiday From Domestic Chores) Bill says that it shall be the duty of family members to establish which day of the week the housewife wants free. The Bill may not have a hope of becoming law, but its message is clear. Indian wives are fighting back.

Lebanon voting marred by death

Beirut: One man was killed after a brawl at a polling station and rival candidates swapped charges of bribery. gangsterism and intimidation as Lebanon's parliamentary elections started in Mount Lebanon, the Christian heartland, yesterday, Police and independent observers reported fist fighting or gunfire as the region voted in the first of five rounds of polling to be held in different parts of the country on consecutive Sundays. (Reuter)

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'Last chance' for peace in Liberia

Abuja: A new peace plan to end the Liberian civil war has been agreed by West African leaders with the country's warlords. The Nigerian Gov-ernment said: "This is indeed the last chance for peace for Liberians." Under a timetable. elections will be held next May. Ruth Perry, a former Liberian senator, will now take over from Dr Wilton Sankawulo as new chairman of the council of state. (Reuter)

Tajikistan truce in jeopardy

Tajikistan's Islamic opposition leaders, speaking from Tehran, claimed their forces had taken control of the strategic Tajik town of Tavildara in fierce fighting. The Tajik Defence Ministry said in a statement that fighting was continuing, apparently leaving last month's United Nations-sponsored ceasefire in tatters. (Reuter)

10,000 see Mugabe wed

BY JAN RAATH

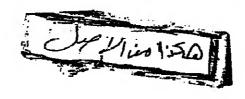
THE controversial ten-year love affair hetween President Mugabe of Zimbabwe, 72 and his former secretary. Grace Marufu, 31, hecame respectable on Saturday when the two were married in a lavish ceremony at Kutama Mission, about 50 miles west of Harare.

The Pope wished the couple an abundance of divine grace and joy" in a message read out to the 10,000 guests crowded in and around St Xavier's church. "The Holy

Father was pleased to learn of the forthcoming marriage."

the message said. Four southern African presidents, including South Africa's Nelson Mandela, sat in the front new of the tin-roofed chapel during the three-hour nuptial Mass. After the exchange of vows.

it was announced that Miss Marufu would be known as "Amai (the Shona term for mother) Mugabe", a title that had been reserved for the late Sally Mugabe. The announcement was greeted with scant applause.



CHANGING TIMES

Invigorated Republican campaign warms up early for presidential race

AN EFFECTIVE performance by Bob Dole concluded a convention that has surpassed the expectations of Republican managers.

Two weeks ago his campaign looked dead. It now has a message, moncy and considerable momenturn. The Dole camp has received a surge in opinion polls as a consequence. How stable this will be cannot properly be judged_until after the Democrats meet in Chicago. There is a considerable chance that their convention will be something of a non-event, with too little

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of interest to hold the attention of television viewers.

Mr Dole can also exploit his freedom from office to campaign full time as the candidate of change. That is crucial if he is to marginalise any impact Ross Perot and the Reform Party might have on the race. Mr Dole knows he must run flat out rather than wait for the beginning of next month. the traditional curtain-raiser to the election season. His team will operate on a three-point electoral

strategy. The first objective will be to consolidate support as quickly and inexpensively as possible. Assuming he is running a competitive race. Mr Dole's aim will be to win the entire South with the predictable exception of Arkansas. He will be confident of taking the prairie states, including his own, Kansas. He should also aspire to the mountain states, some of which went to Bill-Clinton last time, but which have been alienated by the Administration's environmental policies, called "War on the West" by opponents. With the usual Republican stalwarts such as Alas-

ka, Indiana and New England, that would provide 230 to 240 of the 270 electoral college votes needed for victory.

The second strand involves planning for places the candidate expects to lose. The most important requirement is to run hard but relatively cheaply in California, which with its 54 votes is the biggest prize of all. Mr Dole does not need to win the Golden State but he must avoid the mistake made by George Bush in 1992 when he gave up on the state months before polling day.

Republicans need to be competi-

tive enough to force President Clinton to spend time and money working on a state that he should win anyway. In this strategy the presence of Jack Kemp. a California native, will be an asset. Such is his known effectiveness in urban areas, where all other Republicans are weak, Mr Kemp may be sent predominantly to other states, such as New York which he represented in Congress, and Pennsylvania as well as California to inconvenience the Clinton ream.

The final focus will be on four key states: Illinois, Michigan, New Jersey, and Ohio. Their 76 electoral

votes would decide any tight race between the two parties. Mr Dole hopes that his Midwestern roots and the presence of popular Republican Governors in all states will prove decisive. In any event, he will spend most of his time there campaigning as if he were a local candidate for governor or senator. The two real beliwether states will be Michigan and Ohio. In modern times, no man who has won them both has failed to win the overall election. In all close elections this century, the two have split. State polls here will be the most closely watched of any.

practice, it is another matter. Given that any movement he gets from the convention is only likely to narrow, and not eliminate, his deficit behind the President, Mr Dole needs one more factor: luck or rather bad luck for the incumbent. Some sign of economic weakness. an unpopular foreign policy adven ture, or renewed personal scandal would be manna from heaven for Republicans. At the moment this looks unlikely. But at various times throughout his presidency. Bill Clinton has often proved his own worst enemy.

'Iron fist'

warning

to Jordan

rioters

By MICHAEL THEODOULOU

RIOTING in the streets of

Jordanian towns over the dou-

bling of bread prices has

ignited a political crists in the

kingdom, with opposition

parties uniting yesterday in an

attempt to oust the Govern-

King Husain threatened to

respond with an iron fist",

appearing on television on

Saturday night to give warn-

ing that the country faced a

choice between order and

anarchy. He sent police in riot

gear to crush the protests and

placed the medieval fortress

Yesterday 11 opposition par-

ties, including the powerful

Islamic Action Front, formed a

coalition to call for the remov-

al of the Government, and

insisted their followers would

never accept King Husain's "iron fist" policy. But they were deprived of their most

important public platform

when the King dissolved the

city of Karak, 55 miles south of

Amman, under curiew.

Dole closes gap on Clinton as Perot Wins nomination

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

ROSS PEROT became America's third official presidential candidate yesterday after he brushed aside a challenge from Richard Lamm, the former Colorado Guvernor, for the nomination of his Reform

The Texas billionaire won 65 per cent of the vote to Mr Lamm's 35 per cent in a ballot in which barely 50,000 - or less than 5 per cent — of his party's alleged 1.3 million

members bothered to vote. Mr Perot's nomination came as a Newsweek poll showed Bob Dole, the Republican nominee, closing to within two percentage points of President Clinton. The same pollsters had recorded a 20point gap before last week's successful convention and Mr Dole's selection of Jack Kemp as his running-mate. Most polls still give Mr Clinton a double-digit lead, however.

By MARTIN FLETCHER

A MILITARY transport air-

craft that may have been carrying President Clinton's

timousine back from his holi-

day in Wyoming crashed high

in the Rocky Mountains late

set off on horseback into the

Bridger-Teton national forest

before dawn yesterday, but

the eight crew members and

one secret service agent

known to have been on board

the aircraft are all believed to

have died. The Secret Service

said foul play was not

off from Jackson airport

about five hours after the

Clinton family had left for

Washington on Air Force One

The US Air Force C130 took

on Saturday night.

suspected.

Nine killed as White

House plane crashes

Mr Perot won 19 per cent of the vote in 1992, and he helped Mr Clinton to win the White House by splitting the Republican ballot, but nobody can predict with certainty what effect he will have this year.

The Newsweek poll recorded his support at 3 per cent. Having secured the nomination, however, Mr Perot, who spent \$60 million (£39 million) in 1992, intends to launch massive advertising campaign.

He is obsessed with deficit reduction, and if he chooses to attack the huge tax cuts that Mr Dole has made the centrepiece of his campaign, he could greatly damage the Republican ticket. However, he may choose to focus his fire primarily on Mr Clinton.

Mr Dole and Mr Kemp sought to build on their convention momentum by spending the weekend barnstorm-

the resort of Jackson Hole.

The aircraft was heading for New York, where Mr Clinton

was last night celebrating his fiftieth birthday, but crashed

into Sleeping Indian Mountain at an attitude of about

11,000ft within minutes of

official said the pilot reported

mechanical difficulties and

had started to return to the

airport. The cause of the crash

George Stephanopoulos, a

senior White House adviser,

said Mr Clinton sent condo-

lences to the families of those

who died. In April Ron

Brown, the US Commerce

Secretary, died with 34 others

when his Air Force plane

crashed into a mountainside

in Croatia during a trade

was unknown, he said.

leaving the ground.

Mr Clinton responded forcefully to this promise. In his weekly radio address, he said Mr Dole's plan would either risk the economic future by swelling the deficit, or mean massive cuts in cherished social programmes if he was serious about simultaneously balancing the budget.

Mr Dole, speaking at the Illinois state fair, accused Mr Clinton of scaremongering. The only people that are really scared are the Democrats in the White House who are on their way out."

ing around the battleground

states of Colorado, Illinois,

New York and Pennsylvania.

At every stop the two men

trumpeted Mr Dole's Reagan-

esque promise to foster growth

by cutting taxes by \$548 billion

over the next six years.

The Newsweek poll showed 35 per cent of respondents more likely to vote for Mr Dole because of his tax-cutting promise, and 16 per cent less likely. Other polls have shown most Americans approve of Mr Clinton's economic stewardship and feel better off than they did four years ago.

The Democrats intend to use their own four-day convention, opening in Chicago on Monday, to portray the Dole plan as a reckless gamble by a desperate candidate who was until recently a staunch opponent of "supplyside" Reaganomics.

Mr Clinton will arrive

accept the nomination after a three-day train journey the heartlands. Organisers said the speakers would include Hillary Clinton, Vice-President Al Gore's wife, Tipper, Christopher Reeve, the Superman actor paralysed in a riding accident last year, and Sarah Brady. gun-control advocate tire whose husband. James, was White House press secretary until he was wounded in a 1981 assassination attempt against President Reagan.



A female gorilla gently cradles a three-year-old boy who fell into her enclosure at Brookfield Zoo, Chicago. The boy suffered serious head injuries when he plunged 18ft into the compound, which contained seven gorillas, after climbing

Clinton: went whitewater

Gorilla saves boy in zoo

Jua, an eight-year-old female who was carrying her 17-month-old infant on her back, picked up the boy and

paramedies and zookeepers treated him. They sprayed water on the other gorillas to keep them away. Yesterday the boy was in a serious condition in hospital. Binti Jua, whose name is Swahili for "Daughter of Sunshine". is a Western Lowland gorilla. She was brought up in captivity and when she gave birth, was trained with apelike stuffed animals to

President given \$10m present

Dole's new attempt to portray

the President as a callow baby-

boomer and himself as part of

In his speech to last week's

Republican convention, Mr

Dole, who is 73, dismissed the

Clinton White House as an

"elite who never grew up,

never did anything real, never

sacrificed, never suffered and

never learnt". He called him-

self a "bridge" to "a time of

confidence in action"

BY MARTIN FLETCHER

PRESIDENT Clinton turns 50 today and last night supporters were presenting him with at the ultimate birthday party New York's Radio City Music Hall.

It was a bash that looked set to surpass even President Kennedy's 45th birthday party at Madison Square Garden in 1962 when Marilyn Monroe crooned a memorably sexy Happy Birthday.

Hillary Clinton spent months planning it. Jeff Margolis, the producer of Hollywood's annual Oscars ceremony, staged it. Stars flew in to help in celebrating every

decade of Mr Clinton's life: Tony Bennett the 1940s, Jon Bon Jovi the 1950s, Aretha Franklin and Smokey Robinson the 1960s, Carly Simon the fer Holliday the 1980s and Shania Twain the 1990s.

Whoopi Goldberg was MC. For a mere \$100 Clinton lans could watch the event at one of the 80 locations around America to which it was being broadcast live by satelite, but even the cheapest ticket for the hall itself was \$10,000. The \$10 million proceeds were not

Mr Clinton seemed wistful going into Mr Clinton's own about his birthday. He remarked that it was better than pocket, of course, but into not reaching 50, but noted that Democratic campaign coffers. Mr Clinton's indisputable he now had more yesterdays achievement of middle-age than tomorrows.

lower house of parliament on The Government last night proclaimed the crisis over as the army arrested those susperted of taking part in the protests, "Things have come back to normal," Marwan Muasher, the Information Minister, said.

He would not say how long Karak, Jordan's fourth largest city, would remain under curfew, and confirmed the arrest of "several people who were responsible for acts of sabo-

protests. Karak residents rushed yesterday to buy bread, food and other commodities during short breaks in the curfew while police and municipal workers again cleared debris. burnt tyres and rocks blocking

streets to the city. The unrest has raised fears for the future of Jordan, which under King Husain, has emerged recently as an important player in the Middle East, with a stake in promoting stability in the region.

rafting on his holiday after a week-long holiday in Russian airmen in daredevil escape from Afghan captors

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

SEVEN Russian airmen were on the way home to Moscow yesterday from the Gulf state of Sharjah after a daredevil escape from captivity in Afghanistan. They flew to safety at treetop level in an Ilyushin-76 transport plane.

Vatiali Ignatenko, a Russian Deputy Prime Minister, went to Abu Dhabi to meet the commercial aircrew who had been held for a year by Taleban militiamen. He praised their heroism and prepared them for a tumultuous welcome in Moscow, where news of their escape after the repeated breakdowns of negotiations with the kidnappers has lifted the spirits of a nation sunk into gloom by the fighting in Chechenia.

Mr Ignatenko also hinted that the Russian Government and several other countries had helped the men to get away, but he gave no details. He counted the United States, Morocco, India and Pakistan among countries co-operating. An American senator, Hank Brown, also said yesterday that he had played an active role by persuading the Afghan captors to give the men access

The seven said that during

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their captivity in Kandahar finally started one of the four motors with a battery and in they began to lose hope when turn got the other three going. The crew overpowered the changed their demands during negotiations with Mosguards and took off, just managing to fly over two cow. On Friday they requested Taleban vehicles that rushed access to their aircraft to do regular maintenance to keep it to block the runway. Tying up the guards, two of airworthy. Then they put into action an escape plan they had whom were armed with

Kalashnikov rifles, the crew meticulously worked out over flew at treetop height to avoid After three attempts to start radar detection, but were chased by a MiG fighter and a the engines failed, three of the helicopter. However, the Talehan captors left for mid-Taleban, late in starting day prayers and the crew were left under the supervision of because a plane had a puncthree junior guards. Vladimir tured tyre, could not catch Sharpatov, the chief pilot. them. Flying over Pakistani and Iranian airspace, the men landed in the United Arab Emirates, a favourite destination of Russian shoppers and

> tourists. The three guards were handed over to UAE police. Taleban threatened retaliation, causing brief panic in Sharjah with rumours of an

"It was unbelievable yesterday and the day before ... but today we can believe it." Yuri Vshivtsev said of their escape.

The crew, who worked for the Aerostan transport company based in Tatarstan, had been captured after their plane was forced down last August. They were accused of smuggling ammunition from Albania to the Kabul government of President Rabbani. Taleban said this was proof of Russian

support for Kabul. Senator Brown, who was in Afghanistan to discuss peace negotiations between the warring factions, said the men's escape opened the way for a settlement in the country.



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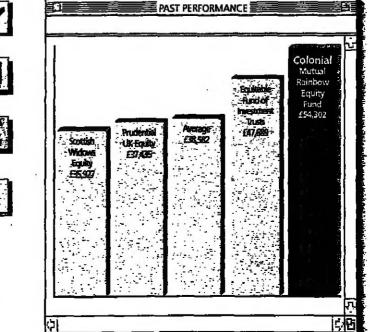
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Town split over Orange order

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN ORANGE, PROVENCE

ORANGE, the scene of so many past religious conflicts and the city which gave the Orangemen of Northern Ireland their name, is again embroiled in an ideological battle, this time between the right-wing National Front and its opponents.

After little more than a year in office, Jacques Bompard, the National Front Mayor of Orange, has become one of the most feared and detested men in France, and a hero to the extreme Right second only to Jean-Marie Le Pen, the National Front leader.

M Bompard's political "crusade" in Orange has attracted the backing of ultra-traditionalist Roman Catholics, and the determined opposition of the central Government. The mayor's enemies say his administration is guilty of bullying, nepotism and cultural censorship. Two municipal employees have committed suicide since his election and critics say M Bompard's autocratic methods have brought an atmosphere of distrust to this idyllic Provençal city of 30,000 people.

The political struggle came to a head this month when M Bompard banned his oppo-

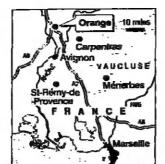
Hero of France's far Right is accused of bullying, nepotism and censorship

nents from distributing anti-National Front leaflets in the streets. The move came after accusations that the National Front had removed left-wing books from municipal libraries and introduced works more to its political tastes.

An intense and dapper man with a taste for bombastic rhetoric, M Bompard insists he is the victim of a media lynch-mob and gleefully calls himself the "most slandered mayor in France". But when M Bompard took office in June last year, having won 37.5 per cent of the vote, he told municipal workers: "You culaborated with the Socialists. Now you'll collaborate with me — and I use the term intentionally."

intentionally."

M Bompard's first clash with the national Government came when the organisers of the Chorègies music festival in Orange refused to have him as chairman of its committee. M Bompard angrily declared he would withdraw municipal funding and Philippe Douste-Blazy, the Culture Minister, stepped in to say that the



Government would provide the necessary grant.

M Bompard "has an isolationist concept of culture and an authoritarian vision of power," M Douste-Blazy said. One municipal employee was reportedly summoned by the mayor after she had been overheard making disparaging remarks at a dinner with friends in a local restaurant.

giving a lift to a known National Front opponent. In June Pierre Nouveau, a city employee who had been transferred to the lowly parking department, committed

Another was reprimanded for

suicide in his office. Before he shot himself, M Nouveau wrote a note blaming M Bompard and two of his aides. M Rompard' has suggested

M'Bompard' has suggested that M Nouveau, like another employee who suffered severe injuries after attempting to burn herself to death in her car, was guilty of corruption. For the various associations that have sprung up to defy

that have sprung up to defy the National Front mayor, the dispute over the ordering of library books and the banning of leaflets on the streets of Orange was the final proof that M Bompard was attempting full-scale censorship or, in the words of M Le Pen, to "govern minds by culture". According to a government

report for the Culture Ministry, the National Front had consistently avoided buying books that covered such subjects as racism and rap music. Literature reflecting "high morals" were favoured, but the booklist drawn up by the city reportedly included works by anti-Semites, Fascists and

Nazi collaborators. Last week a tribunal in

Marseilles ruled that M Bompard's ban on the distribution of leaflets was a flagrant assault on freedom of expression, but the response of the mayor and his allies was typically nonchalant. The book-ordering policy was an attempt to broaden the city's reading material to include all shades of opinion, they claimed, while the leaflets ban was intended to prevent litter in the streets.

For the ruling Gaullist party, facing legislative elections in 1998. M Bompard's regime represents more than an isolated political oddity. National Front mayors were also elected in Toulon and Marignane, while M Le Pen attained a record 15 per cent in the presidential elections. With unemployment growing and resentment over immigration increasing, observers say that the National Front may be set for more gains.

Orange's growing notoriety as the showcase for the extreme Right in power has left many inhabitants tense and fractious. At the municipal library, the rule of silence is total, since the mayor ordered staff not to speak to journalists and the head librarian resigned.

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Claudie André-Deshays says farewell before blasting off from Baikonur, below

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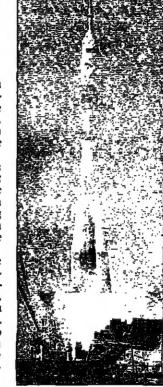
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French first as woman joins Mir

THE first Frenchwoman in space, Claudie André-Deshays, headed towards the Mir space station yesterday, earning herself a place in history (Ben Macintyre writes).

Mme André-Deshays, 39, a neuroscientist, will carry out a 16-day mission to study the effects of weightlessness on human beings in the orbiting station, which has been manned permanently since 1986.

The rocket carrying the French woman and two Russian cosmonauts, Valery Korzun and Aleksandr Kalery, took off on Saturday from Baikonur, in Kazakhstan. The spaceship is scheduled to dock with Mir today, when the new arrivals will join the two Russians and an American woman on board.



Chiracs under strain

By Ben Macintyre

IN AN unprecedented admission of marital strain. Bernadene Chirac, the wife of President Chirac of France, has described her husband as a preoccupied, critical man with whom she no longer shares her thoughts.

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In an interview with Europe
I radio, to be broadcast today,
Mmc Chirac said that her
husband demands absolute si-

lence when watching football on television, does not solicit her views on matters of import and seldom compliments her. "The President is not an expert in conjugal praise. When everything is going well, he says nothing. When certain things are not right, he does not hesitate to point them out,"

she said.
The interview was the first time Mme Chirac has discussed her marriage in public.

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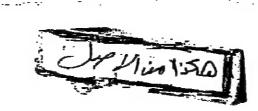
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EU mechanics must try to fix rattle in the monetary engine

rattle can just he heard above the purr of the motor propelling the European Union towards a single currency. So far, it is nothing louder than a loose screw in an engine that otherwise runs smoothly; but next month the EU's mechanics should be listening with great care.

On or around September 18, the French Government will announce its budget. The figures will show that the public deficit will be squeezed under the Maastricht treaty imits by the end of next year. Main Juppe, the Prime Minster, will explain that only



tion his calculations.

President Chirac may even repeat last autumn's bleak declaration that his election promises to bring down un-

that France can join the single currency. Loyal economists will predict that lower German interest rates will an an economic upswing, falls in unemployment and a warmer political climate for the key monetary union decisions in 1998, not to mention general elections in France and Germany.

The important test will be how many people believe all this, and, particularly, how rattle in the engine is the

about whether politicians and central bankers know what they are doing. Some of that anxiety could be assuaged if the big EU economies pick up soon. But the headlong pursuit of Maas-tricht deflation is doing more than simply lengthening dole queues it is widening the gap between political elites and inustrated citizens.

The combination of rapid urban growth and A subsequent economic stagnation has brought to Western Europe not only a renewed threat of economic

known to most Europeans since the late 1940s, but also greater social disruption and physical risk than at any time since the early Industrial Revolution," Tony Judt. an historian, said in a recent lecture. Big redundancy plans are in the pipeline. The early autumn is going to be terrible," an unamed French corporate leader said last week. He is thought to be among worried chief executives who have gone to Bregancon to ask M Chirac to relax the franc fort policy

before something snaps. The economics correspondent of the Liberation news-

paper recalled last week that while Germans are haunted by the memory of hyperinflation in the 1930s, the French should be haunted by the memory of deflation in the same decade. In 1934, Pierre Laval, the French Prime Minister, linked the franc to gold and, supported by enthusiastic Parisian opinion, took special powers during the severe recession that followed to cut public-sector salaries and to control prices. The

the war. The article's head-

franc was devalued in 1936. Laval went on to serve the cuted for treason at the end of

line read: "Politicians and economists judged this policy excellent: the result was catastrophic.

can-Luc Dehaene, the Belgian Prime Minister. has just introduced a law giving the Government special powers to cut the huge deficit. I can hardly think of a public sector more deserving of strong medicine than Belgium's, but if I were a Belgian I might resent the fact that my right to be consulted had been removed so abruptly. The Belgian measures are the coming less democratic to meet Maastricht's demands.

ice with Professor Jacques Mélitz at the Institute of Political Studies in Paris. He criticised French and German politicians for talking about monetary union probissues should be contained until the last moment, he said. "Up to then, the vaguest suspicion that France ... might not meet the eligibility criteria should have been suppressed, lest the whole project topple." In other words, don't tell the people: they re liable to object.

GEORGE BROCK

Russian military 'has not learnt from Afghan war'

By Michael Evans, Defence corespondent most advanced military equip-

HE war in Chechenia has highlighted the failure of the lussian armed forces to learn he lessons of Afghanistan, ecording to a report on the hechen conflict.

As in the Afghan war. Russian generals and political igures believed that mass frepower would fonce the hechen rebels into submission, the report by Jane's Intelligence Review said. However, poor tactics, insufficient training and inadequate logistical backup had undermined the whole operation, search Centre at Sandhurst, even though some of Russia's said the experience of the

ment was sent to Chechenia. The conflict had shown that very linle has changed since the days of the long Caucasian War and Soviet communist power". The Russian strategy had been based on "extensive and overwhelming use of force, resulting in a degree of

devastation not seen since the

battles and operations of the

Second World War". The report, which was coauthored by Charles Blandy, of the Conflict Studies Re-

Fears for aid workers

BY RICHARD BEESTON

THERE are growing fears in Chechenia that recent heavy fighting has damaged efforts to win the release of two aid workers, including a Briton. who were abducted on July 27. Michael Penrose, 23, of

Swerford, Oxfordshire, and Frederic Malardeau, 35, who work for International Action-Against Hunger, were kidnapped by gunmen as they drove through Grozny. Efforts to secure their freedom were led initially by Tim Guldi-

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Security and Co-operation in Europe, but he was evacuated from Grozny last week after days of heavy fighting.

Shamil Basayev, the leader of guerrilla forces in Grozny, and Aslan Maskhadov, the overall separatist commander, said they had heard about the abductions but had no addi-

tional information to offer. The concern is that the trail to find the men may grow cold unless a fresh initiative is launched. The Foreign Office. which is co-ordinating search efforts, had no plans to send

Russian Army in Chechenia had reinforced lessons learnt istan. "But the shortage of resources and the continued uncertainty of high-level direction may combine to keep the lessons from Chechenia from being reflected in the future Russian Army."

Apart from deficiencies in training and tactics, there had been technological failings. The T72 tank had proved too vulnerable and many of the older aircraft had been unable to operate in bad weather. Lack of funding remained the Army's biggest problem, the report said. However, the Chechen operation began on a false premise. The Russian high command underestimated their opponents: "The premature commitment of unready moops and the distance

of high-level commanders from the situation were terribly familiar from other conflicts," the report said. In December 1994, when the

Russian invasion began. General Pavel Grachev, then Defence Minister, demanded immediate action. Yet intelligence reports had said that the Chechen rebels had acoutred many anti-tank weapons. In 1994, the Russian



platoon leaders. Few of the soldiers who had to fill those obs received proper training. The Russian Army had not had a divisional field training exercise since 1992.

One of the lessons from Afghanistan was the importance of logistical support for the combat units, but that had been one of the fundamental failings in Chechenia. The

committed at the opening Chechenia had also been formed in "scratch groups". That led to "a multiplicity of unit boundaries complicating command and control

The formations which were at higher strength and were deployed as integral units performed better. They included the airborne forces (VDV). some of the naval infantry, the

·74th Independent Motor Rifle Brigade and specialist peacekeeping units such as the 506th Regiment of the 27th Motor Rifle Division. The effectiveness of the VDV "suggests that it may continue the internal security mission it had during the last years of

Many of the pilots flying the air force will be able to missions in Chechenia were

up for the overall lack of training. However, one of the main frontline aircraft, the SU25, could not operate in bad weather. The Chechen conflict had emphasised the need for better all-weather aircraft and precision munitions, the

Jane's report said. "However, it is unlikely that address these and other lessons learnt, given the current

budget and economic crises, the report said. Russian tanks in Chechenia had also suffered under fire. T72s ignited internally when the armour was penetrated by anti-tank missiles. "Any future Russian design lof tanks! will have to address the question of

ammunition comparimenta-

tion or other more radical

ways of reducing crew vulner-

ability," the report said.

War-weary conscript longs to leave

FROM RICHARD BEESTON IN GROZNY

SHUFFLING through the dust of his military base in a pair of old tennis shoes, Volodya, a teenage Russian conscript and Chechen war veterun, symbolises the state of Russia's military today. Ill-educated, unmotivated

and poorly-led, the young soldier from the Tyumen region of Siberia speaks with contempt about his superiors and admits that he is counting the days until he can go

This war is going to continue because those idiots in Moscow either don't know or don't care what happens to us," he said, sheepishly scrounging a packet of ciga-rettes, a luxury he can rarely afford on his monthly pay of 40,000 roubles (£5). Although now serving in the relative safety of a supply base after months of garrison duty in Grozny, he is better informed than most about the staggering defeat suffered by his comrades in the Chechen

dead through here," he said with a shiver, "We received 100 yesterday. They other day I saw the bodies of 11 soldiers who had had their heads cut off. What did they die for?" His horror stories are heard

again and again in Chechenia, where the latest lightning offensive by separatist rebels proved that the Russian military had learnt nothing during its 20-month campaign to restore the Kremlin's authority over the breakaway republic. In some respects, the Rus-

a result of the war. Few of the soldiers I met had any understanding of what their mission was. Drunkenness and

looting were common.

The Russians feel they are no match for their opponents. They bring most of the Like the Americans in Vietnam, they rely increasingly on their artillery and warplanes instead of challenging the enemy on the ground. In the latest operation the

Chechens, outnumbered and outgunned by an army once rated as the most powerful conventional force in the world, succeeded in inflicting thousands of casualties on the Russians, scizing their positions and capturing large numbers of prisoners and weapons. Shamil Basayev. the Chechen rebel leader, said

sian Army has deteriorated as his men were ordered to fire at the tyres of Russian fortunes in the Caucasus.

armoured personnel carriers, so the vehicles could be captured and used again. He also said his guerrillas were armed almost entirely with weapons bought or captured from Russian officers, some of whom have made small ☐ Moscow: A truce signed by the commanders of the warring sides in Chechenia appeared to be holding yesterday (Thomas de Waal writes). However, a power struggle in Moscow was still unresolved as Anatoli Kulikov, the Interior Minister, stayed in his job despite demands by General Aleksandr Lebed, the national security adviser, that he

Granada recalls murder of poet

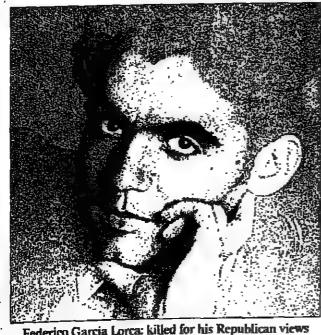
FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN MADRID

AT a hillside olive grove near Grahada, 60 years ago today. Federico Garcia Lorca, then at the height of his international repetation as a poet, was murdered by Falangist thugs on the orders of the local civil governor. The sixtieth anniversary of

his death marks one of the most emblematic episodes of the Spanish Civil War. More than any other act, the murder of Lorca - the most striking port of his generation — heped to consolidate the view anong observers abroad that the war was one between Nationalist "barbarians" and Republican "idealists".

The Nationalists, mortified by the public relations disaser which Lorca's murder ertailed, sought to attribute his death first, to Catholic extremists and, later, to a jited homosexual lover.

Lorca was a leading light of the so-called "Generation of In that flourished in the first part of this century, and which had a richer artistic cutput than any other in Spain since the 17th century. The generation also counted among its members other leminaries such as the paintrs Picasso, Dali and Miro. ne poets Juan Ramon Jime ez and Antonio Machado.



Federico Garcia Lorca: killed for his Republican views

the film-maker Luis Buñuel, the writer Miguel de Unamu-no and the philosopher José Ortega y Gasset.

Shortly after the outbreak of the Civil War, on July 18. 1936, Lorca was abducted by Falangists from a friend's home in Granada where he had taken refuge. The poet had feared for his life after the fighting started since his Republican sympathies. his widely known homosexuality

and his unusual view of Spanish history - the conquest of Granada by the Catholic monarchs in 1492 was, for him, 'a cultural

His murder, impressively chronicled by Ian Gibson in The Death of Lorca, snuffed out a poetic talent. Aged 38 when he died. Lorca's poetry had drawn inspiration from

disaster" - made him an

obvious target for the Nation-

the life and the gypsy lore of his native Andalusia. He wrote simple poems, suited to the portrayal of violent passion and tragedy, nowhere better illustrated than in his Lament for Ignacio Sánchez Mejias. a bullfighter friend who had been gored to death: "At five in the afternoon/It was exactly five in the afternoon/A boy brought the white sheet at five in the afternoon/A basket of lime ready prepared, at five in the death, and death alone, at five in the afternoon."

Lorca is best known in the non-Hispanic world for his stirring trilogy of folk dramas. Blood Wedding, Yerma, and The House of Bernarda Alba. The first play, one of the rare successful poetic tragedies of the 20th century, was inspired by a story Lorea read in his local newspaper: a bride had fled on her wedding day with the man she secretly loved, and the rivals had then killed each other.

Ten years ago. Lorca's home in the village of Fuentevaqueros, nine miles west of Granada, was converted into a museum. A special ceremony was held there last night by the director. Juan de Loxa. He said: "We don't want to reopen old wounds. But, yes, we do want to remember the day when Lorca died."



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Are we sentenced to be forever fatties?

Anjana Ahuja on the research breakthroughs which promise a cure for the plague of obesity

ur perspective on fatness has changed down the ages. In the distant past, the ability to store fat was an evolutionary advantage, allowing human beings to survive times of famine. Large women were celebrated as models of fertility and health, and immortalised by painters such as Rubens.

Now society regards spare flesh as taboo, exhorting us to rid ourselves of ample hips and rounded bellies at any cost. The reasons? The fact that we now live longer has allowed the link between obesity and illnesses such as heart disease, diabetes and high blood pressure to emerge. And, advertisers tell us, thin equals glamorous. The only problem is that a steady flow of scientific results suggests that we may have little control over how portly we become.

The latest peg in this argument came last week with the publication of a paper in Nature, highlighting the discovery of yet another gene influencing obesity. By knocking out a gene called Rif-beta, G. Stanley McKnight and colleagues at the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle were able to create mice which remained slim even when fed fatty diets.

A flood of similar findings during the past three years has revolutionised attitudes to obesity. "Obesity is now becoming a respectable illness, which is a major swing in medical thinking," says Professor Philip James, who heads the Rowett Research Institute in Aberdeen, and the World Health Organisation's International

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Taskforce on Obesity. Within the next six weeks, Professor James and fellow experts will report to the National Health Service in Scot-land on how anti-obesity drugs should be managed.

He says: "Everyone used to view obesity as a personal problem which could be overcome with willpower, and this approach had very puritanical overtones. Now we are realising that those views are hopelessly misplaced. Tellin people to just eat less is bonkers."

Obesity, or having too much body fat, is a medical condition which is reaching epidemic proportions in the developed world. A person is defined as obese if he weighs at least 20 per cent more than the maximum desirable weight for his height. The condition tends to run in families, with the children of obese parents ten times more likely than others to end up with the same condition. Studies of twins raised apart have shown that weight depends very much - up to 80 per cent — on genes. So it was unsurprising when, three years ago, hard evidence of a genetic link gan to emerge.

Using rats and mice, five genes which influence weight gain have been identified. These have been christened Agouti Yellow, Fat, Tubby, Diabetes (or db) and Obese (or ob). RII-beta now joins this list.

Of these, Obese was regarded as the most spectacular finding. Scientists at Rockefeller University in New York found that Obese encoded the instructions to produce leptin, a hormone produced by fat cells. A faulty Obese gene resulted in rats ballooning to three times



Are we really what we eat? Junk food and an inactive life may play a part in obesity, but increasingly scientists believe that our weight may be controlled by genes

their normal size, suggesting that leptin could be the chemical that persuades us we are no longer hungry. Injecting it seemed to cure extreme obesity, and when this work was made public last summer, it was seen as a potentially lucrative milestone. Trials of leptin injections on humans are already under way.

The genetics of obesity have been seized on by respected experts such as Dr Rudolph Leibels, from the Rockefeller University Hospital. who believes we have a predestined "set weight" upon which exercise and dieting have little impact. As shown by a study Dr Leibels conducted last year, our bodies will out up a substantial fight against

attempts to change them.

"Lowering body weight experimentally led to the metabolism slowing down, and this was true for all sizes of subject," Dr Leibels says. That's pretty strong evidence that

our bodies like to maintain or defend a certain amount of body fat." Chemical feedback loops ensure that as food intake varies our hunger pangs and me-tabolism adjust accordingly. He says: "The discovery of these genes shows where the loops might be.
"We should encour-

bonkers' age people to slim only if they have weight-related health problems, and they should lose enough weight for the problem to go away."

Critics of the "set-weight" argument say that, if we are destined to always weigh 10st, then our intake of fat should make little difference, a proposal not borne out by study. They argue that environment has a large part to play, and explains

world. Dr Leibels does Telling 1 not dispute that environment matters: "If people to you took a bunch of obese people and put them in an environment just eat without food, then obviously you would have less is no obese people." he simply

says. Professor James puts a slightly different spin on the genes-versus-environment debate: There are two factors which mean that obesity is rising.

One is physical inactivity and the other is a high-fat diet. However, some people are naturally more resistant to obesity than others. I would say that our genes contribute to how susceptible we are to our environment, and this lies somewhere between 25 and 75 per cent." As the magazine Scientific American reports this month, making

the link between tubby rats and corpulent humans has not been easy. However, if the secret of slenderness is hidden away in our biology, can we find a drug to unlock it? With unimaginable riches awaiting the company which can deliver in a pill the lithe, fat-free figures most of us crave, scientists in the field are working flat out. Scientific American lists 12 commerical studies into anti-obesity drugs. These trials variously target the brain (to reduce the signals we interpret as hunger

pangs), the digestive tract (to lower the proportion of food digested, or to block appetite) and fat levels (to speed up fat-burning). Dexfenfluramine, which increases levels of the neurotransmitter serotonin to quell appetite, has already won approval from the US Food and Drug Administration.

and is also available in Britain.

Professor James is heading a trial

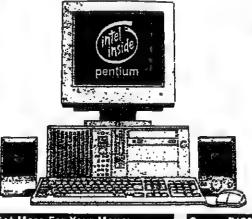
at the Rowett Research Institute into Sibutramine, which lights hunger by boosting the levels of serotonin and noradrenaline in the brain. Results will be out at the end of next year. Such drug treatments and even

surgery, coupled with dietary advice and an active lifestyle, are the only way we will be able to tackle the snowballing problem of obesity according to Professor James.

"This is the most exciting time for many years. We are striding ahead scientifically and also beginning to overcome the understandable prejudice of the past 30 years against anti-obesity drugs. And only two weeks ago the Government announced it would review its stance

on drugs." He adds: "Obesity is a phenomenally debilitating condition, and we have an epidemic on our hands. It's ridiculous that we have only just started dealing with it."

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SCIENTISTS used to think

that they understood hibernation pretty well. Advanced mammal species had devel-oped the knack of sleeping through the northern winter in order to escape the cold and lack of food. To survive, they turned down their metabolism to tick-over, and built up large stocks of brown fat which were used to kick-start things back into action in the

spring. The first signs that this was only part of the story came at the end of the 1980s, when Australian scientists were finally able to prove that the echidna - or spiny anteater hibernates in winter. The echidna is not a highly evolved mammal but rather a primitive one, sharing with the duck-billed platypus the un-mammalian habit of lay-

There had long been dispute over whether the echidna hibernated. some asserting that it did. and others that it didn't Sightings of the animals in late winter and early spring above the snow line in a New South Wales national park suggested that they must be hibernators, since they could have got there only by crossing several miles of snow. or more likely emerg-

ing briefly from a burrow. The issue was finally settled by Gordon Grigg, of the University of Queensland,

Where life on

Mars was born

Mars of the meteorite recently

identified as showing hints of

primitive life. Dr Nadine Barlow started from a catalogue

The rock of which the

meteorite is made is 4.5 hillion

years old, meaning it must

have come from the most

ancient terrain on Mars. But

it was ejected from the planet

only about 16 million years

ago, which means that the crater from which it came

should still show very young

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scientist at the

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likely source on

Wake up to hibernation

New theory on nature's big sleep \square Mapping the meteor craters

and colleagues. who put radio transmitters in the peritoneal cavities of three male and two female echidnas. The transmitters operated through the winter, providing a steady SCIENCE BRIEFING about the animais' temperature. The team Nigel found that it fell Hawkes to as low as 3C. from its usual

level of about 31C to 33C - clear evidence the animals were hibernating. From time to time, the temperature shot up to normal, as the animals woke for a day or two — also the classic pattern of hibernation.

This technology has revolutionised hibernation research, as a conference held in Tasmania earlier this summer showed. The number of species known to hibernate is being constantly revised upwards. One of the most curi-

kilometres diameter or more.

or smaller low-angle impacts

are capable of ejecting materi-

Using these criteria to nar-

row the search, Dr Barlow

came up with 23 possibles.

She then used images taken

by the Viking spacecraft to eliminate all those that ap-

peared more than 16 million

years old. "That may sound like a long time but for

geological processes it is very

short, particularly for a planet which has experienced little

geological activity for the past

The two craters that emerged were both produced

by a glancing blow, and are both in the heavily cratered

southern highlands - one in

the Sinus Sahaeus region and

the other east of an area called

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landing missions by the US

space agency Nasa may now

be targeted at these places.

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night, falling abruptly in the early morning to about 20C. reaching a minimum at 8am and then slowly rising again. This is not so much hibernation as torpor, but the effects are similar. Other researchers have

found marsupials that can hibernate and, like the echidna, can stir themselves into action again when they wake up without the henefit of brown fat. So all the classic

features of hibernation appear to have been upended, as Doctor Andrew Cossins, of Liverpool University, and Doctor Brian Barnes, of the University of Alaska, remark in a report of the Tasmania conference in the current issue of Nature. Far from being a habit unique to advanced mammals in the winter, it is shared by all sorts of creatures in both hemispheres. Even the name is now wrong, since it derives from the Latin for winter

quarters. One of the greatest puzzles is the process of waking up in the spring. Animals that lack brown fat must have some other mechanism for generaling heat. One possibility is that they shiver themselves back to life. Some small marsupial hibernators certainly are vigorous shiverers. though the echidna does not

appear to use this method. Two major problems remain unsolved, say Cossins and Barnes. The first is why hibernating animals of all types bother to wake up periodically during hibernation — answering a call of nature is the obvious expanation that occurs, and it may even turn out to he the true one - and the other is how hibernators manage to survive body temperatures sclow that they would surely killany non-hibernator.

Does Your Memory Fail You?

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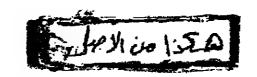
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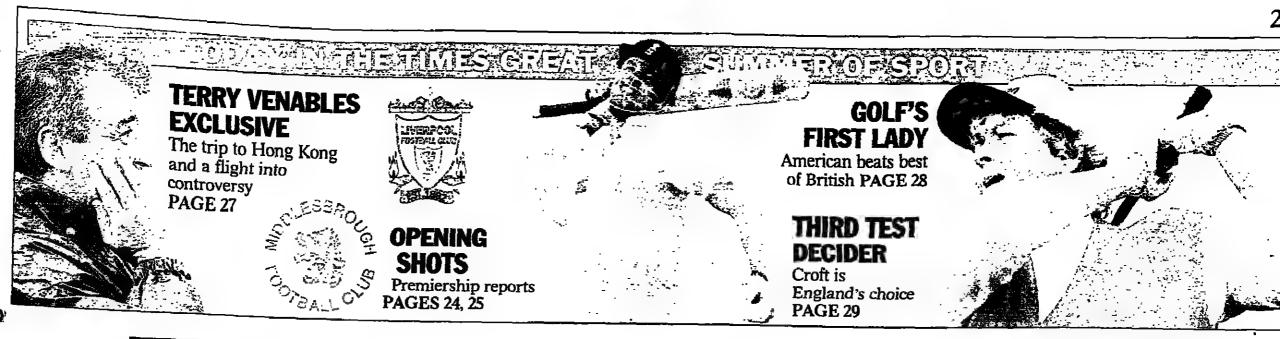
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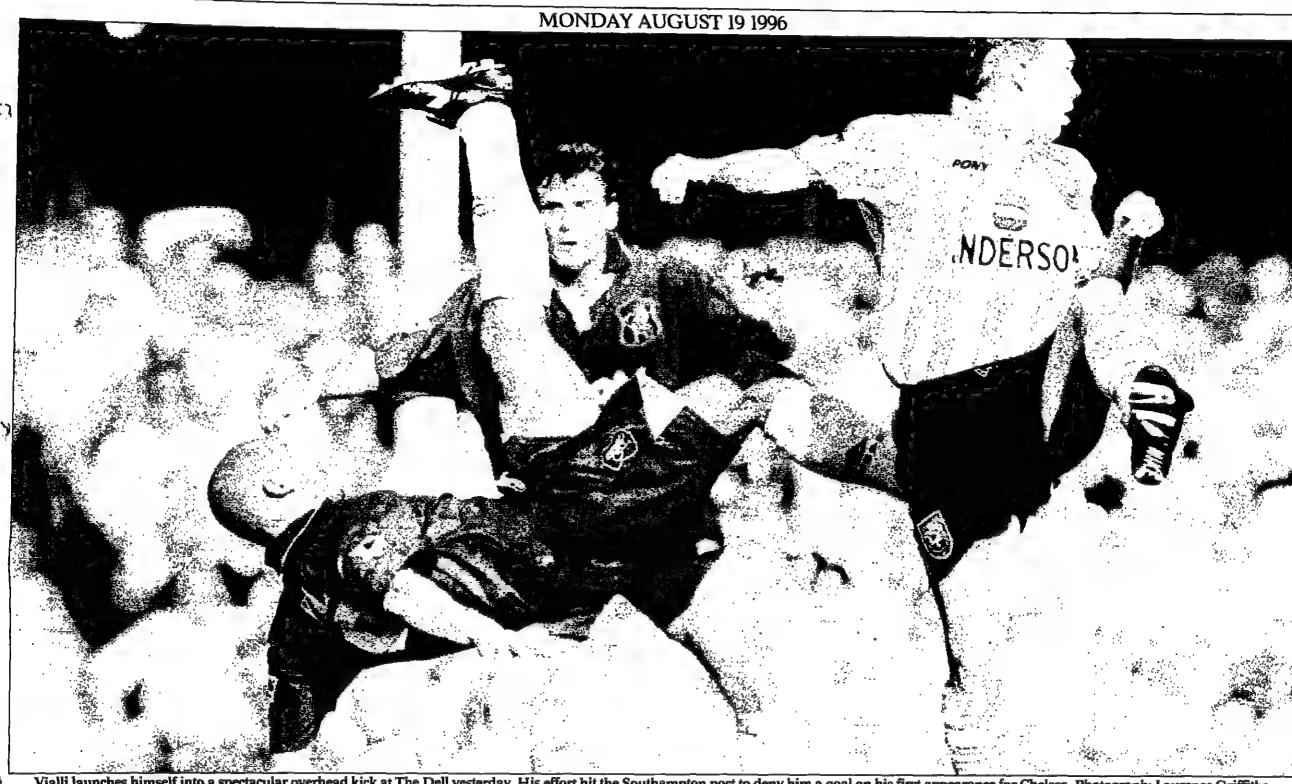
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Vialli launches himself into a spectacular overhead kick at The Dell yesterday. His effort hit the Southampton post to deny him a goal on his first appearance for Chelsea. Photograph: Laurence Griffiths

Southampton stand firm under Vialli's fire to share honours

Beasant draws Chelsea's sting

Southampton Chelsea0

By ROB HUGHES FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

AFTER it rained goals in the heatwave of Saturday, the temperature soared into the

high 90s down at The Deli yesterday and somehow, from two teams so very disparate in earning power and potential. we had a drought. The closest Gianluca Vialli came in his first appearance in

the FA Carling Premiership to replicating Saturday's hattrick by the ravenous Ravanelli up at Middlesthe ravenous brough was to hit the base of a post with a wonderfully-controlled and inventive overhead kick and to demand two athletic saves from Dave

Beasant In fact Chelsea, their league of nations such that only Wise and Myers were English in yesterday's team, threatened to overwhelm Southampton on their home ground almost as easily as sweat dripping off the brow.

The Southampton team are introducing Graeme Souness, on his return from Turkey, to a new experience:the art, or rather the artisan, craft of sheer muck and nettles survival from day one of their 19 consecutive seasons in top grade football.

They must, and Souness acknowledges it, hold on to Le Tissier, must find players to prompt and inspire him, and must not make it so obvious that he is their lone hope. Chelsea could afford to isolate

him by surrounding him with a posse of blue shirts - or at least they did after the first minute when Roberto Di Matteo who, at £4.9 million, cost almost twice the spending budget of Souness, mishit a back pass. Le Tissier read his mind, turned and, looking up into the sun, chipped the ball delicately over the right shoulder of Kharine, dropping it

onto the crossbar. That was to be the closest to a goal by far for Southampton or Chelsea, who passed the ball more fluidly and contrived 15 shots, only five of them on target and none, bar Vialli's effort against the post. able to beat Beasant.

Right now what I have is a team of very honest players." said Souness. I have come with the intention of getting together a side to go forward. to create chances, to excite the crowd. But today I could ask no more than the effort I got.

Matthew Le Tissier found it very difficult because of our system (which Southampton changed to 3-5-2 at half time). With only Shipperley up front, there were not a lot of options for him. But his attitude has been great in training, and only he could have created that chance out of nothing right at the start of the game."

Souness concluded that his team, until he can locate and persuade recruits, will have to grind out results and attempt to stay in a division of more gifted and affulent teams, Chelsea certainly being one. And though Glenn Hoddle, here at the first opportunity to watch Le Tissier, departed early, the new England coach's commitment to a player not unlike himself in terms of flair, will not, surely, evaporate in the heat of one arid

What Hoddle had to admire, all of us, was the languid elegance of Franck Leboeuf. He, a Frenchman tall, lean and prematurely balding, was the libero personified. He reads the game several paces ahead of opponents, he intercepts, he tries to create with passes up to 50 yards, and in one moment with an attempt from the halfway line to emulate Beckham. Leboeuf's shot from the semi-circle drifted wide of the net, wide of the huge grin on the face of

Beasant But, with Di Matteo struggling to last the pace, appar-ently not having trained for 10 days because of a back injury. all in Chelsea blue was not convincing. "Roberto and Gianluca need rhythm," Ruud Gullit, the manager, who himself is recuperating after knee surgery, said. You can see that these players are not yet fit, and if you look at my face you will see that I was disan-

pointed with the result. We

controlled the game, we made all of the chances except one, but you have to win such games. We lost two points, and I have demanded of my players that they must be

Di Matteo, nonetheless, combined work rate with a presence on the ball that promises much. He could find Hughes or Vialli at a stroke, and if he wilted, then didn't we all? One who refused to, despite the fact that he has yet to wear a Chelsea shirt in the peak of condition following an early summer injury to an abductor muscle, was Vialli.

In the 11th minute, he had been subjected to a gruesome foul - Jason Dodd coming right through on his calf from behind. This has to be the definition of the premeditated foul from behind that Fifa wants outlawed. Referee Martin Bodenham's yellow card was insufficient punishment.

But the Silver Fox

was allowed once more

control of Wise when, early on. after Hughes and Burley had opened up the defence, he ran the ball too far off his shin, and was denied by the sprawling Beasant. That was how such a goalkeeper could com-pensate for a defence, at the heart of which was Richard Dryden, elevated from Bristol City at the age of 27, to face world class players.

Souness drooled at some of Vialli's work. Between the 55th minute and the 70th this big man, with huge, muscular thighs, a shaven head, and the desire to match his former running mate Ravanelli, burst

Quite the most electric moment came when Myers skipped past Neilson. Myers' cross was also exquisite, and then Vialli launched himself off the ground, connected with the ball .. but found the base of the post.

Thus, Chelsea's first match in the new adventure under Gullit, ended 0-0. Souness, for one, went home envious: "This is the first time I had seen Gianluca for some years," he said. "You could see that he will be an exceptional player here. You could see as the game went on him becoming more and more fox-like."

And so to Stamford Bridge on Wednesday where it will be Vialli in the blue corner versus Ravanelli in the red.

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A GOAL TO SAVOUR AND A DEBUT TO REMEMBER IN THE PREMIERSHIP

The third United goal was a gem of sublime effrontery by the improving David Beckham, lobbed over Sullivan from the halfway line. The conception and execution were remarkable, Even Pelé did not quite bring it off in the 1970 World Cup



into the hen-house of the Liverpool defence, and he got enough contact on Mustoe's pass to finish his hat-trick and to go into his now familiar berserker routine of celebration' Simon Barnes, page 25

Brian Glanville, page 24



At Selhurst Park

he Dublin Dons? It is more and more like it, Sam Hammam, the Wimbledon owner, said: "Dublin? It's not a question of Dublin or anywhere else." He went on to say that the club's attendances at Selhurst Park had doubled

This suggested that the party line had changed radically from what it was a couple of seasons ago, but, after the 3-0 FA Carling Premiership defeat by Manchester United at Selhurst on Saturday, Joe Kinnear, the Wimbledon manager, dropped heavy hints about the eight important Irishmen watching from the directors' box, all invited by Hammam.

A nod's as good as a wink to a blind horse: it is known that Kinnear hates playing at Selhurst, resents the small attendances (it was 25,000 on Saturday only because United were there) and dreams of a new Dublin studium, where 60,000 watch Wimbledon at home. It looks as if the money is there and waiting, but a couple of Premiership clubs are still to give their assent and some League of Ireland clubs

Hammam, who sees the big clubs getting bigger, whatever the size of Wimbledon's cut from television, is nothing if not a pragmatist. "If you're displaced, you have to move your family in wherever you can." he said. "It is my duty to keep Wimbledon going. To me, it's like a crusade. I must go on until we reach the promised land, wherever that

If Dublin promises an end to alchemy, the making of gold out of dross — of buying players cheap and selling them dear, of training up good youngsters - then, plainly, Hammam and Kinnear will be deeply relieved. This heavy defeat showed just how great a gap there is between Wimble-don, with all their commitment and ingenuity, and the mighty United, who trounced them even without Ryan Giggs, not to mention Karel



Beckham, on the halfway line, hits the shot that provided a spectacular climax to Manchester United's victory over Wimbledon at Selhurst Park on Saturday

Poborsky, who is expected to play wide on the right against

The absence of a recognised player on the right flank for Wimbledon enabled a rampant Roy Keane, far more disciplined than usual and stunningly effective, to move into those spaces. It was his. surging run that led to Eric Cantona's opening goal which, as Alex Ferguson, the United manager, said, settled his team after an uneasy start.

Keane's centre was only half-cleared to Butt, who crossed to Cantona. It is hard to think of many other players who could have scored as the marvellous Cantona did. con trolling the ball with casual ease with his left foot, driving it home with his right.

Memories of that fateful night at Selhurst, when he kicked an abusive lout, returned when he picked up another yellow card. He is quite brilliant, but potentially violent. He could well have been sent off at Wembley against Newcastle United for

shoving Albert to the ground after an incident which did not fable about the frog and the scorpion: as they cross a flooded river, the scorpion stings the frog and says, while they drown. "it's my nature".

"Ooh, ah, Cantona," the United supporters sang. "Oh. no, Cantona," one is sometimes tempted to sigh. But his talents are tremendous. His goal was enough to inspire his team and diminish Wimbledon. They continued to scrap and scramble, but one could sense the anxiety.

Kinnear blamed his goal-

keeper, Sullivan, for United's two second-half goals. Keane again, was intimately involved in the move that ended with Irwin scoring from such a narrow angle, though no keeper, as Kinnear said, should be beaten at the near post. It is sad that Keane, who also hit the bar with a blistering shot. must now have a knee operation and miss three weeks. The third goal was a gem of

Cantona: inspirational sublime effrontery by the ever-

improving David Beckham. lobbed over Sullivan from the halfway line. Ferguson said he could not remember a goal like it. "Nayim," someone said. remembering the devastating Cup Winners' Cupwinning goal against Arsenal and Seaman in Paris. "That was a miskick," Ferguson said, quick as a flash, then conceded that he had not

Pallister's mis-header let Leonhardsen, Wimbledon's Norwegian, through, only for Schmeichel to burl himself for remembered it. The conception and execu-



a phenomenal save. "The kind of save that wins you championships," Ferguson said. That's how important it was."

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Kinnear was just as appreciative, "Schmeichel is like a madman, like a rock," he said. Leonnardsen From five yards, you'd bet your life he'd score. Overall, however, Wimble-

don lost the midfield and had neither the wit nor the skill to make many chances; though Earle did get in two strong headers. Holdsworth played wide, first on the right, then on the left, before belatedly moving into the middle, where he does most damage.

There was further satisfaction for Ferguson, and for the watching Johan Cruyff, in the way that Jordi Cruyff improved during the game, not least when, in the second half, he moved from the flank into the middle. He almost broke through to score in the first half and nearly scored in the second after a dazzling exchange with Scholes. Later on, he danced through the defence only to be blocked by Sullivan.

Ferguson thinks this will be

his best position. As for Hammam, he said: People think we are so unlucky to be at Selhurst. It's just one of those myths." More mythical move to Dublin. But has not Wimbledon's whole history been myth itself?

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ACISTNE MANCHESTER UNITED (4-4-2)
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Johnsen 39, R Neane, J Courti — Cartiona (sub-) B McClart, 81), P Scholes Referee: D Sleray

Dream pairing in dire need of fine tuning

Newcastle United0

By ANDREW LONGMORE KEVIN KEEGAN must have

been playing truant when the painful lessons from last season were being learnt. Profilgate to the last, his Newcastle United side lost the title with the style of champions. So what does the man do? Puts £15 million of Sir John Hall's money down on the table and rolls the dice once more: turn those 4-3 defeats into 5-4 victories by buying the best striker in the land. "Cest magnifique, mais ce n'est pas la guerre," as Marshal Bosquet remarked on observing the charge of the Light

Newcastle were very much less than magnifique at Goodison Park: not very charged either. They were unimaginative. confused, weighed down by the awesome responsibility of fielding Alan Shearer, the world's most expensive footballer, and Les Ferdinand, "Out of sorts." Keegan said.

Everton's victory was every bit as convincing as Manchester United's in the FA Charity Shield. Football might be a simple game, but it does not conform to statistics quite as readily as Keegan would like to believe. Only in fantasy football does double the number of strikers equal double the number of goals.

Great strikers are selfish by nature. In their business, conmoney. Strikers do not score goals by passing to team-mates. The only time football gives you perfect happiness." as Martin O'Neill, now manager of Leicester City, once said. is when the score is 5-0 and you've scored all five."
O'Neill was not a striker, but he understood the dynamics of the job in a way Keegan, a great striker himself, does not appear to.

Far from being on the same wavelength, Ferdinand and Shearer jammed the airwaves. They exchanged neither word nor glance all afternoon. Occasionally, Shearer would point to his feet to show where he wanted the ball.

Once, in the first half, Ferdinand flicked on a cross a push as Shearer's header looped into the net; once in the second, a dunumy by Ferdinand allowed Shearer the time to turn away from his marker and shoot. The rest was incoherent crackle. Apart from tipping away a header by Shearer, Neville Southall enjoyed a rather leisurely afternoon on his 700th appearance in eoal for Everton. Shearer.

himself, has had more strenu-

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ous afternoons shopping. We'll have to wait for other players to play like they can before judging him." Keegan said. "We played so badly, his service was so poor. Where were the crosses, where was the invention, where were the cute one-twos strikers thrive on?" Shearer was probably asking himself the same questions all the way home.

If the partnership is to work, Ferdinand has to change his role in the way Stan Collymore has done in the service of Robbie Fowler at Liverpool. It means stepping down, offering up the glory, being unselfish. It is asking a lot, but something has to happen fast because, as Blackburn Rovers showed so graph-ically 12 months ago, if titles are won in the final two months of the season, they can easily be lost in the first

Nor did Newcastle's lack of 4 physical commitment augur well for the tough months ahead, "Most of the 50-50 balls were theirs," Keegan said, which was a tribute to the wholehearted work of Parkinson and Ebbrell in the centre of Everton's midfield but a tacit admission of a costly failing. "If you don't pass it well and keep it well, you get down to battling against these teams and we become second favourites that way." The priceless art of scrapping for points is still being sacrificed

on the altar of perfection. The implication was an unintended slur on Everton. who looked more likely title contenders. With Speed, the £3.5 million new boy from Leeds United, down the left and Kanchelskis on the right. Ferguson's supply lines are well laid. The Scotsman, a bargain-basement £4 million, only needed a goal to round off his afternoon. He forced Watson into a desperate lunge for Everton's first goal, a harsh penalty converted by Unsworth, and nodded on Stuart's long cross for Speed to score the second on his debut. 'Awesome." Joe Royle, the Everton manager, muttered.

Had not Kanchelskis overelaborated a simple chance just before half-time, Newcastle's embarrassment would have been even deeper. In the meantime, Keegan has United's defeat by Aston Villa on the first day of last season. Clearly, his intention is to play the tortoise, not the hare, this

year.

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Crystal Palace0

big disappointment. Trevor Francis spent almost £3 million on his Blues revival programme at Birmingham City during the summer only to discover, in the heat of the afternoon yesterday, that it

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bering, is an appropriate adjective to describe many of the individual displays in a largely forgettable Nationwide League first division match. It started well, faded after about ten minutes and, but for the sprightly intervention of an imaginative Crystal Palace side, it could have disappeared

will take more than boardinto oblivion. Palace, so cruelly beaten by room generosity to reawaken

the supposedly slumbering giant that lies within St Slumbering, or even lum-

Leicester City in the play-off final at Wembley three months ago, at least had the benefit of fielding players who mostly knew each other. Dave Bassett's close-season manoeuvrings amounted to only £335,000, such was the insistence of the bank manager in claiming so large a slice of Nigel Martyn's £2.8 million transfer fee to Leeds United. Palace, led by the irrepress-

ible Houghton, should have taken a point. Had they accepted any of the numerous chances that came their way, it could have been all three. How Birmingham retained their 25th-minute lead, attained when Devlin's left-foot drive cannoned in off Day's far post, will haunt Palace long into the season.

Francis, having returned to the club he last played for. 17 years ago, said: "Obviously it was a special day for me but perhaps we were rather fortunate to get a win. By the end, we were living on our nerves a

He was more critical of the kick-off being brought for-ward to Ipm to suit television needs. Legg and Tait had to be replaced during the game because of sickness. "It was so hot," he said. "Some of the players have known nothing like it. When I was playing in Italy, we had the start put back to 4,30,"

It is early days. Francis, a patient man, needs time, even though he is unlikely to get much from the demanding Birmingham supporters. Cohesion will come as friendships develop, both social and professional, and there is no need for undue alarm. Encouraging, though, it was not. Ablett, a £250,000 capture from Everion, was dire against Dyer, the Palace for-

ward. His roasting had nothing to do with the conditions. Furlong, at £1.5 million, was adequate if limited: Bruce, a free transfer on wages reported to be £17,000 a week, only rarely looked comfortable

Trafford: and Newell. E775,000 of striker from Blackburn Rovers, plodded on

ineffectively.

Of the new Birmingham Five, only Horne carned his first-day corn. Francis knew what he was getting when he paid Everton £400,000 for the Wales midfield player - experience, industry and occasional inspiration — and he got it.

Freedman, twice, and Veart had already scorned openings before Devlin stroked Birmingham in front. Houghton immediately headed against the crossbar, typitying Palace's wayward finishing. with Quinn. Freedman and Veart squandering further opportunities.

Opportunities.

BIRMINGHAM CITY (4-4-2) I Bonneti — G
Poole, S Buce, G Breen, G Ablent — P
Devin PTat (sub J Hunt 29mm), B Home,
A Legg (Sub R One, 63) — M Nowel, P
Fullong
CRYSTAL PALACE (5-2-1.2) C Day — D
Boult (sub D Hopkin, 65), M Edworthy, A
Roberts, D Turtle K Muscat — R Houghton,
R Quern (sub D L E Andersen, 65) — C Vosit
(sub G Mode, 75) — B Dyer D Freedman
Beferrer E I omas.

Photograph, page 26 Molby prepares for video verdict

By Our Sports Staff

GENERALLY, when a player is sent off in a football match, a manager will walk into his press conference after the final whistle, mutter some platitudes about "there are no easy games", "the second goal was well" and wait for the inevitable: "What do you think about so and so getting the red card

"Don't know about that." he will say, as he always does, "Didn't see it. We'll have to have a look at the video." Jan Molby did just that at Vetch Field vesterday. Well.

almost. Dismissed for the first

time in 14 years, the Swansea

he is going to watch video footage of himself before de-ciding what to do next. "The referce said I elbowed

their striker. I can't comment about that," Molby said. There are all sorts of fines you can end up with, or committees you can be pulled in front of, if you talk about referees. I will study the video the match and assess whether or not to appeal against the dismissal for what was his second bookable offence]."

Being sent off was not the only ignominy bestowed on Molby on Saturday. He also missed a penalty, his first failure from the spot since he did so for Liverpool in 1986. Perhaps it was just as well Swansea won anyway, despite their manager's best efforts, beating Rochdale 2-1 in their Nationwide League third division encounter.

There was also a dismissal at Gay Meadow yesterday as Shrewsbury Town drew I-1 with Wycombe Wanderers in the second division. Peter Whiston was shown a red eard for his second bookable offence in the 59th minute, with Shrewsbury leading through an lan Stevens goal in the fourth minute. Steve Brown equalised shortly after Whiston went, to earn the visitors a point.

HE SIGNED autographs, Russell Kempson on

smiled for the photographers, cuddled the children, kissed the women and made the presentations. He played quite well, too, a typically curious mixture of looning around, athletic catches, one stunning save, the occasional fumble or misjudgment, and a startling Giggs-type jink up the left wing, evading two tackles, to earn a thrown-in to rapturous applause.

He then walked off to collect the plaudits of the Plymouth Argyle supporters and the man-of-the-match award after a 2-1 win over York City. "Bloody disgrace," Neil Warnock, the Plymouth manager, said, more at the olinkered voting than any of the aforementioned antics Bruce Grobbelaar - king of fun, prince of clowns - was

At Home Park on Saturday, in the Nationwide League second division, Grobbelaar, 38. made his 499th league appearance and 694th in all competitions. The former Liverpool and Southampton goalkeeper, released from The Dell at the end of last season, had re-emerged in deepest Devon and acted as if he had barely been away. The crowd, at least the green-andblack sections, loved it.

Grobbelaar still faces allegations of taking bribes to throw" matches, the ultimate sin for a professional football-er, and is due in court to defend the charges in January. He has always maintained his innocence, kept on playing and carried on laughing. If it hurts, and it must do, he hides it well.

"It is not an issue at the moment; it doesn't really affect me," he said. Yet what about four months hence?

to clown prince Grobbelaar

Plymouth fans pay homage

the return to action of one of the game's

great entertainers

"The courts run from Monday to Friday, so I can play on the Saturday. No problems." Conveniently, Argyle's only scheduled midweek match in January is on New Year's

Day. Grobbelaar feels he can play on for four more years, passionately believing he can inspire Zimbabwe to the finals of the World Cup and African Nations Cup. but also recognises the gravity of the legal examination ahead. "If I'm found guilty, I won't be able to play," he said simply.

"If not, I'm OK."

Grobbelaar: king of fun

Plymouth have had little but aggravation with goalkeepers in recent years. Peter Shilton was player-manager until he fell out with Dan McCauley, the outspoken Argyle chairman, over personal money matters that became embarrassingly public.

laar into Africa by telephone. after Argyle's promotion via the third division play-off final at Wembley, and his persistence paid off. "I came back to talk to another club. who were interested, but they didn't even have the decency to see me." Grobbelaar said. So I got in touch with Neil and we did the deal that

night." He turned down the job of assistant coach with Zimbabwe and, instead, signed a 12month contract at Home Park. He intends to see it through, pending the out-come of his duel with m'learned friends, and even the jokes and jibes are losing

Devonian wags have suggested that perhaps he would be more suited to appearing in the newly and ludicrously named Screwfix Direct Westem League.

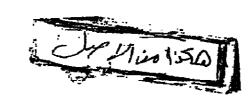
"He was certainly entertaining." Warnock said, mopping the fevered brow that he blamed more on the afternoon heat "I suppose I'm going to have a few heart flutters, but a lot of clubs would be pleased to have him.

Grubbelaar did fine. He had no chance with Pepper's late penalty, which added spice to the generally sterile fare, and Plymouth marginally deserved victory, courtesy of earlier goals from Corazzin and Heathcote. The biggest challenge facing Grobbelaar, though, lies not in a goalkeeper's jersey.

ET'S JETSEY.

PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (3-4-3) B GrobbeLear — C Curron, M Heathcold, R Logen —
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— C Corazzin M Evans A Littlojohn
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McMillan, P Ahin A Bartis, P Atlanson — G
Himmorth S Bushell (sub N Popper
62mn), A Randall, P Stephanson (sub G
Mury 63) — N Tolson, G Buil
Referer, R Harns

ree: R Harns



FOOTBALL: ITALIAN STRIKER RAISES EUROPEAN STANDARD WITH STUNNING DEBUT DISPLAY

Teessiders fall for Ravanelli's tricks

las, they do not call it a trucco di capello, but Ravanelli's tripletta, or three-goal riormance, was emphatically the trick of the day as, after a break of, well, several days at least, the FA Carling Premiership swung back into action again on Saturday, when Liverpool left the Riverside Stadium with a 3-3 draw. There, in the sultry heat of

Teesside, Fabrizio Ravanelli, making a journey from Juventus to Middlesbrough - in past eras the equivalent of making a pilgrimage away from Mecca - swapped three or four chipped passes with head and with foot, on the edge of the opposition penalty area, without once letting the ball touch the ground, with a shag-haired Brazilian playing as Middlesbrough's libero. Is this really a vignette of football in England?

Football's coming home. they told us all through the long summer, but where. pray, is home? Football, once the most xenophobic institution in England, has gone pellmell the opposite way: the game has been racked by attack after attack of xenophilia. What is more, there is another Brazilian, Branco, who cannot get into the Middlesbrough side. Is this the ultimate statement of the prevailing moud of the Premiership?

in some ways, Ravanelli's transfer, at E7 million, is the strangest move of the lot. Even is the Premiership expanded in recent seasons and took on such big-name foreigners as Klinsmann and, later, Gullit, the cry went up: ah yes, all very well, but it is in Italy, in Serie A, that you find the real thing. We just get the hasbeens. With Ravanelli moving to the Premiership from Italy's

Coventry City

Nottingham Forest 3

Ву Кептн Ріке

IT IS the waking nightmare of

every dream team manager:

you have £50 million to spend,

you are down to your last

thirty bob, and you are still

one striker short of a full

complement. The only player

available is Kevin Campbell;

so you play with ten men and

hope your keeper will pop up

And then, of course, it

happens. Campbell. who

managed just three league

goals last season, matches that

tally within 47 minutes of the

Derby County3

By OLIVER HOLT

IT WAS clammy down in the

corridors underneath the

main stand at the Baseball

Ground. The pink bows on the

bedraggled bunch of flowers

that had found its way on to

undone and the daisies were

wilting. Jim Smith, the Derby

County manager, saw them as

soon as he walked in. "It looks

like a bloody wedding party in

Howard Wilkinson, had

walked out of the dressing-

rooms together, shaking their

heads like two fathers who

had had to pay for the festivi-

exhausted. Smith gave Wilkin-

son a last slap on the side.
"Not to worry," he said, by

way of a catch-all consolation.

afternoons on Saturday: a day

for the supporters to savour.

full of excitement and good

football, but teeming with

ers. They want 1-0 wins and

tight, unforgiving contests.

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errors. Not a day for manag-

It had been one of those

ties. They looked careworn,

his Leeds United counterpart.

A minute earlier, Smith and

here," he said.

I the press room table had come

Leeds United

with a goal or two.

SIMON BARNES



At Riverside Stadium

game's ancient values have been stood on their heads.

Is the Premiership really confirmation.

Or turn to Liverpool and see Barnes gliding about in mid-field in his daft red boots, or McManaman doing his colt-ish frolics all over the pitch, and you must say again, yes, this is a feast, and let us hope that every match of the endless season is like this: six goals shared, any amount of glorious attacking, a day to put the spring into the step of anyone

The match gave us the first goal in the Premiership as Bjornebye, moving sweetly goal-side of the defence, put Liverpool ahead after four minutes from Barnes's free kick. Ravanelli equalised from a penalty, and the moment filled him with a fire that

new FA Carling Premiership

campaign. Ravanelli may have ignited the Riverside

Stadium, Beckham may have

one hand on the goal-of-the-

season award, but for pure. unadulterated fantasy.

Highfield Road was the only

Kevin Campbell who, when he

was not sidelined by injury

last season, even managed to

be kept out of the Nottingham

Forest side by Jason Lee and

Andrea Silenzi, those goal-shy

advertisements for the fresh

This, instead, was the

Campbell that defenders

feared might one day

caught everything that came

into the box with supreme confidence and could not be

blamed for any of the goals; Bowyer, in midfield, was like

down, making the first goal

brought in from Manchester

have done the best business of

all, bringing Aljosa Asanovic.

the Croatian midfield player.

being threatening.

truit industry (well, pincup-

ples and lemons, anyway).

Managers draw

sparse comfort

place to be on Saturday. This, assuredly, was not the

Ravanelli celebrates the second of his three goals for Middlesbrough in idiosyncratic fashion on Saturday Barnes put Liverpool ahead again, another player getting ahead of a hesitant defence. but then Liverpool, dozing from a quickly-taken free kick.

predacious glee. defence, and he got enough contact on Mustoe's pass to

re-emerge: leaner, sharper,

with a startling turn of pace

and a ravenous appetite for

goals. Each of his strikes had

much to commend them -

bravery for the first, accuracy

for the second, and a display of

mind-boggling ball-juggling for the third — and he might

have had three more. It was a

performance as outstanding

Not that Frank Clark, the

Forest manager, was taken

aback. "The pace was always

there when he played for me

as a techager at Levton Ori-

ent." Clark said. "Kevin had a

disappointing time last sea-

son, but he has worked very

hard and he looked a quality

centre forward today. I knew

as it was unexpected.

finish his hat-trick and to go into his now familiar berserker routine of celebration.

miership is a great circus, and unquestionably it sells a lot of

that he would be a good

acquisition for us. My faith in

just as one hat-trick does not

make Campbell, at 26, the

finished article, so one victory,

no matter how emphatic, does

not turn Forest into title con-

tenders. The good news was

that Campbell's partnership

with the eager Saunders

gelled instantly, that Forest's

anacks were far less predict-

able, and that a reshaped

defence allowed the unflappu-

ble Croatian, Jerkan, to add

authority at its heart. The bad?

They will not be playing

Ron Atkinson's team was a

shambles. Coventry's first

Coventry City every week.

Clark knows, though, that

him never wavered."

shirts. This a great bubble of delight, and those like Ravanelli who come seeking the bubble reputation with the right sincerity find themselves greatly loved.

It is also hard to find in one's heart a dislike for those managers who throw such delightful and skilled attackers at us: it fills hearts and stadiums and, my dear, you are just nobody on Teesside without your No Il Ravanelli shirt and have you got the away-kit version, too?

But, all the same, there is

CSSS.

MIDDLESBROUGH (3-1-3-2-1) A Miler — N Pharzon, S Vickers, D Whyter — Emerson — N Cox, R Master, C Flaming — Junnho gubh A Maore, Strinkt, N Barmely — F Ravanali LIVERPOOL (3-4-1-2); D James — M Wrigh, D Matter, D Sabb — J McAiser, M Teomas, J Barmes, S Bornetive — S McAiserannan — R Fowler, S Collymore

Premiership as the season begins. There is abroad a mood almost of frivolity. As if all clubs bar one were really competing for second place. As if it were necessary to sell style rather than content, entertainment rather than sport. All very well: and a souffle is a wonderful dish. But when it collapses, it is just scrambled

ing," he said, "but we did not

mind all the talk being about

other teams. We knew we

would miss Stan Collymore

when we sold him to Liver-

pool, but it was not a problem

Armstrong double rubs salt in Rovers' wounds

Blackburn Rovers 0 Tottenham Hotspur 2

BY PETER BALL

THE injury to Gary Mabbutt spoilt Tottenham Hotspur's win but the game was dominated by another absentee. The ghost of Alan Shearer cast a long shadow over Blackburn Rovers. It took only two minutes for the familiar, long, drawn-out chant of "Shearer, Sheeaar-er" to echo round Ewood Park. But it came from the Tottenham fans, and it

was sung mockingly.
As Blackburn's early chances went begging, it recurred, but as the team lost confidence, the chants became more pointed. "Those songs will go on all year. We'll just have to get used to that," Kevin Gallacher said. "We know that we can shut them up by scoring. We've just got to get on with it, put the ghost of Alan Shearer away, and forget about it."

Easier said than done. By the end, the Tottenham songsters were bellowing a derisive "Will you ever score again?" Of course they will, but it was difficult to see how or who, Apart from the pace of Donis, there was little to trouble Tottenham. They have only made one relatively minor signing and probably need a couple of big ones to really be title contenders, but they are evidently a team on the up. By contrast, the departure of Shearer has left Blackburn bereft. Yet they began deceptively well on Saturday.

For half an hour, Sherwood led by example and exhortation, gesticulating, waving, pointing, winning the ball constantly in midfield and using it purposefully. But Donis's sorties came to nothing as there was no one to convert his inviting crosses.

Meanwhile. Tottenham

were in some disarray. After 20 minutes, Mabbutt went down after a block tackle with Fenton, was taken off, got up and tried to run and went down in a heap. A broken shin bone was diagnosed. Nethercon, his replacement,

lasted nine minutes before he. too, was led away with blood on his sock. Fenton, again, as involved and this time Tottenham fingers pointed angrily at the Blackburn player. "Nethercott has a gash through to the bone, and our players thought it was a late tackle," Gerry Francis, the manager, said.

Campbell moved in to play authority alongside Calderwood, and soon Tottenham took the lead with a splendid goal. Howells, who grew in excellence as the game went on, crossed for Armstrong to come in on the blind side and leave Flowers helpless with a stooping header.

From that moment Blackburn's confidence fell away. The first goal changed the players' minds, and we didn't express ourselves." Ray Harford, the manager said. We weren't comfortable on the ball."

With Howells, Anderton. until he too departed with a groin strain, and Sheringham pulling the strings and Armstrong running eagerly. Tottenham stretched even Blackburn's solid defence to its limits. It cracked again as Fox crossed low and Armstrong arrived for his second goal. Glenn Hoddle, the England coach, was doubtless

BLACKBURN ROVERS (4-4-2): T Flowers — H Berg, C Coleman, C Hendry, J Kenna — G Dons, T Sherwood, G Filcoth (sub-P Warfurs), 71mm), S Robley (sub-I Pearos, 46) — K Gallecher, G Fertion TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (4-4-2) I Walker
— S Campbell, C Caldenvood, G Matburg
sub; S Netherconf, 20, sub; C Wilson, 29, J
Edinburgh — R Fox. D Howells, D Anderton
(sub. J Dozdell, 69), A Senton — E
Sheringham, C Ametiong

Caretaker Houston decides to stick with staple diet

Arsenal West Ham United

BY PAT GIBSON

NOUVELLE cuisine it was not The French connection has been made, but until Arsene Wenger brings his Gallic touch to bear in five or six weeks' time, the Highbury fare will continue to be more bangers and mash than pate

de foie gras. Stewart Houston, who is now so well rehearsed in the caretaker role that his next call could well be from Harold Pinter, admitted that he had spoken to "the chap" whom he has been "led to believe" will succeed Bruce Rioch as manager. But he decided not to tamper with the basic recipe that took Arsenal to fifth position in the FA Carling Premiership last year and a place in Europe.

He did not have much choice, anyway. Neither of the two Frenchmen who were signed in the bizarre after-math of Rioch's sudden departure were available because Vieira, who cost £3.5 million from AC Milan, is completing his rehabilitation from injury in Italy, and Garde, who was out of contract with Strasbourg, has hardly trained all summer.

Also conspicuous by their absence were Adams, who has had another knee operation and will not play again until his recovery is complete. and Platt, who woke up late on Saturday morning with "a lower back problem" suffered in training and probably got another kick in a similar place for not letting Houston know about it until lunchtime.

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Apart from that, the caretaker was delighted with a performance which showed all the traditional Arsenal characteristics of strength and resilience in the face of adversity, and went some way towards relieving "the bitter taste in the mouth" left by Rioch's exit.

No one felt that bile more acutely than Keown, the acting captain, who was as close to Rioch as any of the players, so much so that he had a phone call from the former manager before the match to wish him all the best.

The team without a manager was undoubtedly helped by the fact that they were facing a side missing half their players. West Ham United were without the newly-signed Hall, Raduciolu and Futre as well as Dumitrescu, Bishop, Moncur, Potts and Cottee. and for all their possession, and one or two ficeting chances, they were always

fighting a losing battle. Arsenal had taken the lead in the 26th minute when Dixon turned up on the left of the West Ham penalty area and crossed for Hartson to force the ball past Miklosko, on to a post and finally into the net. Fifteen minutes later, Dixon set up the second goal in more conventional Arsenal style, Rieper handling his deep cross to prevent it from reaching Hartson and Bergkamp scoring from the

resultant penalty. For the time being at least, plus ca change, plus c'est la même chose.

ARSENAL (3-4-1-2) D Seamen — Keown A Linighen, S Bould — L Dison, Parlour, S Morrow, N Winzerburn — Berghamp taub I Wright, 99min) — Misrison, J Hartson (sub. P Dickov, 82) MEST HAM UNITED (3-5-2) L Miklosko - M Rieper, S Blic (sub R Ferdmand, 88) Dicks — T Breacker F Lampard (sub Stater 64) D Williamson, M Hughes, Rowland (sub S Lezandis, 68) — 1 Downe.

elimog: P Duna



now the world's great league? Watch Ravanelli and Emerson perform that interchange and you think, yes; watch their Brazilian team-mate, Juninho, darting here and there in renewed and vitriolic confidence, and you find

with a taste for footy.

allowed Cox to cross for Ravanelli to tuck the ball away with

That was half-time, and you knew there would be more goals. Fowler put Liverpool ahead, and James's tremendous save from Ravanelli appeared to have made the match safe, but the Silver Fox was allowed once more into the hen-house of the Liverpool

All jolly amusing, and so forth, but, after the match, I spoke to the reporter from

Gazetta dello Sport, a man with an air of a Borgia cardinal. "A nice match, yes," he agreed. "And perhaps now they will buy some Italian defenders."

Yes, well, rather a good point, actually. The English can now claim to have the most entertaining league in the world. Certainly, the Pre-

not so much a lack of defence Campbell's early resurgence the stuff of fantasy

strike at goal, with nearly an

hour gone, drew ironic ap-

plause. McAllister, their £3

million recruit from Leeds

United, was the best of a sorry bunch, but even he was reduced to frustrated posturing at the chaos around him. So, while television's preoccupation with Seventies nostalgia last week relived the

for Kevin, and it was the same for me following Brian |Clough|. If you go out and do a job to the best of your ability. people will judge you on that." The jury on Forest, and Campbell, should remain out a bell, should remain out a while longer.
COVENTRY CITY (4-4-2): S Ogreove — B Borrows. P Williams. L Daish, D Burrows — J Salako, G McAlister, N Richardson, M O'Nell issur E Jees. 5 Imml) — N Whelen (sub: A Ducros. 51); D Didish NOTTINGHAM FOREST (4-4-2): M Crossley — C Cooper N Jerkan, S Chertle, S Peace — S Stone (sub: S German), 76); Al Haaland, C Bart-Williams, I Woan — D Saunders (sub: P McGregor, 86); K. Campbell

1977-78 season, when Forest won the first division title and little loswich Town won the FA Cup, Clark knows that. with the game's real wealth now concentrated in fewer hands, the chances of a team of such stature emulating the "Reading the papers it was

Humphreys turns

Huff and puff fails to bring the house down

Sunderland . Leicester City

By MARK HODKINSON

quicksilver, hurtling up and THE Union Jack on top of the Clock Stand at Roker Park hardly moved even a relucand scoring the third, and tant breeze refusing to issue Sharpe, the £4 million man from the nearby North Sea to set it affutter. Down below, at United, looked classy without pitch level, there was a hurri-Smith, though, appears to cane of activity. Twenty-two athletes toiled in the cruel sun but it was all futile without some mastery, ingenuity, or even a goal to douse the fire. to the Midlands from Hajduk "Squeeze." was the repeated from the bench and

Quinn: goal disallowed

Sunderland and Leicester

City did just that. If success in

the FA Carling Premiership

was dependent on a team's

ability to compress play, these

two teams would be candi-

Leicester's football was

nominally the more precise

but Sunderland's resolve was

greater. The game was seven

minutes old before anyone

dates for Europe next May.

Split. He trotted around with the air of a temperamental artist, throwing up his hands in horror every time a long ball was pumped into the box. but on each occasion he took possession, he spread danger. His runs were direct, his passing penetrative. While he is on the pitch. there will always be hope for Derby in what will probably

be a difficult first season in the Premiership. On Saturday. they showed all their renowned fighting spirit to claw back a two-goal deficit -Sturridge and Simpson replying after Laursen's own goal and Harte's low shot - and then recover from what seemed to be Bowver's deciding goal. Sturridge capitalising on Radebe's error.

DERBY COUNTY (3.5-2): R Hoult — G Rowell, G rutes, J Laurzen (sub P Simpson 75min) — P Parker C Daily, A Asanonic, G Powell (sub S Pinn, 75) C Powell — D Surndge, M Gabbadini (sub R Wilems 75)

Wilems 7:1
LEEDS UNITED (3-5-2) N Marryn — L
Radobe (sub. D Wetherall, 88) C Patrice, R
Jatoson — G Fatly A Couzern, (sub. M
Trikles 86), M Ford, L Bouyer L Shape — I
Rush, B Deane (sub. I Harie, 56). Referee: P Danson

had the courage to hold the ball for more than two seconds. Agnew brought a fine save from Keller with a forceful header and Gray saw an effort trickle past the post as Sunderland ended the first half loitering near Leicester's

> Niall Quinn, making his debut for Sunderland, came on early in the second half and immediately placed the ball beyond Keller from close range. Unfortunately for him, and the match, the goal was disallowed for pushing. Afterwards, players and

managers alike practically queued up to address the ifter-match press conference, but the aggregate of their adjectives was footballspeak for a tedious match.

Ouinn said Leicester were "resolute and strong"; Keller thought his team was "defensively really solid". Martin O'Neill, the Leicester manager, issued the understatement of the day when he described the match as "hectic". Peter Reid, his counterpart at Sunderland, said he was surprised no one had passed out from heat exhaustion.

Tony Coton, the Sunderland goalkeeper, appeared in the doorway of the press lounge. "You don't want me in there. I've done nowt," he joked. Apart from running about a lot, neither had any-

SUNDERLAND (4-5-3), A Coton — D Pubch, K Bell, R Ord, M Soott — P Sterrar, P Bracewell A Mehrille — M Gray (solt S Asson, 57ma) D Fell, Kub N Ourn, 57), S Agnaw (sub) M Endges 73) ERCESTER CITY (5-3-2) IA Netter — S Grandon, S Prot, S Walch, J Walts, M Whogo: — S Tester Mittel, N Lennon — M Prioris ratio 1 Learneroe, GG, E Hoskey Referee: \$ J Locke

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Aston Villa

By NICK SZCZEPANIK

IF THE FA Carling Premiership previews are to be believed. Sheffield Wednesday are certain strugglers, while Aston Villa are possible championship contenders. For nearly an hour of Saturday's game at Hillsborough, both teams looked those parts; but you would be hard pressed to explain what happened next without resorting to one of those timeless football truisms

- goals change games. In fact, Ritchie Humphreys's 55th-minute strike for Sheffield Wednesday engendered such a surge of confidence in his team that it could prove to have changed their season, let alone this match. That the score in question was a candidate for goal of the month, from a locally-born player, just 18 and making his full home debut, only added to the moment.

Until then, Villa had looked comfortably in control of a rather uncosmopolitan match by present Premiership standards - Milosevic, Nelson and Curcic were missing, and the only new signings on parade were David Pleat's Nationwide League acquisitions.

Wednesday's tendency to play the predictable, safe pass meant that their only threat was Regi Blinker, the Dutchman. It was Blinker's forward hall that Pembridge headed on for Humphreys, tipped as having a brilliant future by Marco van Basten, no less, to volley fiercely past Oakes from just inside the box. "Humphreys is a good techni-cal player." David Pleat, the Sheffield Wednesday manager, said. "His timing is very good, although he didn't show it today. Well, he showed it when it counted, for one

second. Wednesday were transformed. Nolan launched searching runs from left back; Booth, living up to his manager's description as "the best young. English centre forward in the air", went close twice: and headers and shots flew at Oakes (in for the injured Bosnich) from all angles.

man repelled allcomers, and it new, direct, ultra-confident lead. Blinker again crossed from the left and Whittingham's header looped beyond Oakes. Oakes was called upon to perform further heroics before Johnson headed in Wright's cross to give Villa a chance, but Wednesday conquered a late anxiety attack and hung on.

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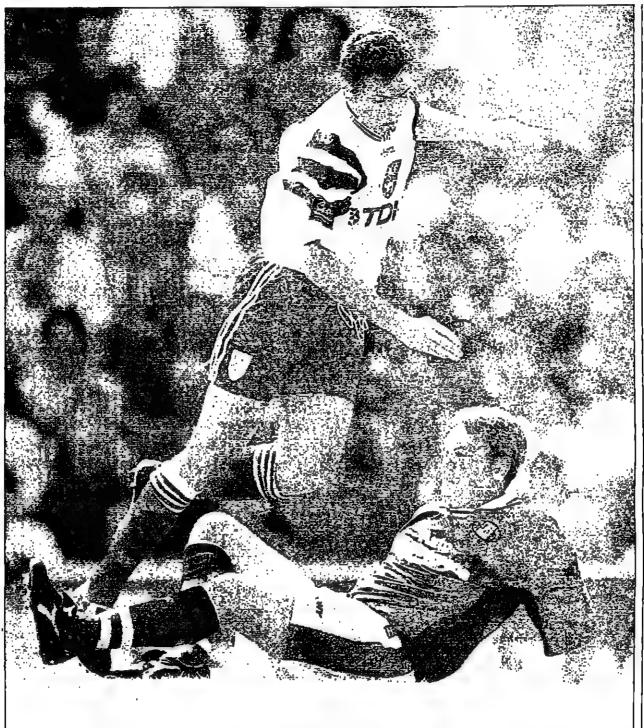
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EUROPEAN TRANSFER TRENDS THREE factors have altered the trends of European transfers this summer (Julian Desborough writes). They are Euro 96, television revenue and the Bosman ruling, litely's Same 4 clubs traditionally the biggest draw for European tootballers, have been more than matched by their English counterparts in attracting top-flight talent—hally spent more than 285 million in the seasonal break writle England approached that mark with a flurry of activity before lock-off

while England approached that mark with a flurry of activity before kick-off. It was not difficult to see why the Italian connection of Vialli and Ravanelli found nicher picteings in the FA Carling Premiership when Alan Shearer's £15 million move to Newcastle United set a world record. Not so long ago that would have bought an endire Premiership team. Manchester United, the champions, boosted their squad to the time of £7.5 million, while sor other hopefuls surpassed the £5 million mark — Aston Villa £5.75mil, Chelsee £7.4 million mark — Aston Villa £5.75mil, Chelsee £7.4 million. West Ham £5.9 million, while sor other hopefuls surpassed the £5 million mark — Aston Villa £5.75mill. Chelsee £7.4 million. Both occurs, Newcastle £15million. West Ham £5.7 million, to their impressive array of foreigners. In Sene 4. Parma were by fair the biggest spenders with an outlay of £19.7 million, to their impressive array of foreigners. In Sene 4. Parma were by fair the biggest spenders with an outlay of £19.7 million, to their impressive array of foreigners. In Sene 4. Parma were by fair the biggest spenders with an outlay of £19.7 million, to their impressive array of foreigners. In Sene 4. Parma were by fair the biggest spenders with an outlay of £19.7 million, to their impressive array of foreigners. In the shade by Spain's summer spending spree — Spansh clubs spent more than £135 million, the majority of it on foreign amports. Not surprisingly, Barcelona and Real Madnd were the biggest spenders. Laying out £25 million and £20 million respectively. Other clubs also dug deep. Real Betts managed to find £19.5 million and Deportivo la Coruña and Valencia around £13.5 million apiece.

French players were the most exportable commodities, mainly due to their impressive showing in Euro 96: 13 went to Italy, seven to Spain and four lo England. And, in many cases, the outlay by dube was much more than the initial trensfer fee. Take the complicated cases of Revenelli's £12.8 million main. Not also getting half of that and the play

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Steve Bruce, on his competitive debut for Birmingham City. intervenes against Carl Veart, the Crystal Palace forward, during the first division match at St Andrew's yesterday. Photograph: Nick Potts. Report. page 24

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McCoist not yet ready to hang up his boots

make retirement look glamorous. Once the football is finished, there will be beguiling offers and new sources of large cheques. The Rangers forward has toyed with the notion of eventually becoming an agent, but his telegenic nature may prove to be a form of destiny Impish and articulate.

McCoist can provide both the blokish banter for the Question of Sport audience and the barbed perception of the serious pundit. On Saturday. however, one began to wonder quite when the studio will actually become his home. As his hat-trick against

Dunferniline Athletic in the 5-2 victory at East End Park proved, he still prefers to perform on the field than for an outside broadcast unit. With four goals in the first eight days of the season. McCuist has made talk of retirement presumptu-ous, even if he is 34. Time has already born-

barded McCoist, yet still failed to land a direct hit on his goalscoring prowess. Age. a broken log and assorted injuries do take their roll, but his mind is still finely calibrated, taking him to precisely the right spot at exactly the correct time. Then, quite often, McCoist makes a dreadful hash of it.

It has always been his way. The fluctuations in his finishing are outlandish and every supporter who acclaimed his goal in the 3-1 win against Alania Vladikavkaz in the European Cup a couple of weeks ago also wondered why he had sclaffed and misdirected a batch of previous chances.

McCoist could have scored half a dozen times against a dogged Dunfermline team, that actually trailed by only 2-1 with 12 minutes left. Every gift. however, has a flaw as its companion and men who might be more enticient in front of goal do not have McCoist's knack of rooting out an opening. Rangers will look to

him for the goal in Russia this week that would surely clinch the tie with Vladikavkaz and McCoist is bound to shoulder hopes, too, when Scotland set out for their first World Cup qualifier, against Austria in Vienna, at the end of the month.

Scrutiny is as welcome as sunshine to him but, if he is delighted to be the centre of attention once more, he is also wise



enought to relish his place at the heart of the Rangers attack. With its drive and finesse enhanced by the return of Paul Gascoigne as a substitute on Saturday, the team virtually compels a forward to triumph.

commentary

Last season Peter van Vossen somehow resisted the inducement, performing with dour clumsiness when given a place in the side, but now he, too, is animated by the same glee and scored Rangers' other two goals against. Dunfermline.

At the end of the game, appeared Dunfermline had committed a faux pas in winning promotion to the Bell's Scottish League premier division and, matched with Rangers, they looked out of place in their own home. Consolation for the Fife club comes in recognition that at least half of the teams in the top flight might. have been beaten just as empahtically by champions. , There will be another

glut of goals for the Old Firm this season and, after two league fixtures each has aiready scored six times. Spectators are bound to be entertained, but the inevitability of the speciacle is troubling. When Celtic won 4-1 on Saturday they may have been more conscious of the need to keep pace with Rangers in goal diference than they were of any threat from the visitors, Raith Rovers. On the way to Glasgow, the Fife team probably leafed through newspapers chronicling Celtic's injuries.

raui O'Donnell, Paolo Canio and Alan Stubbs were missing, but that still left Jorge Cadete. Andreas Thom and Pierre van Hooijdonk to conduct the terror. For clubs such as Raith, life is a long tribulation and. once they got their breath back, the players may have laughed bitterly over the talk of a crisis at

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Stevenage throw down the gauntlet

Stevenage Borough 6 Halifax Town0 By WALTER GAMMIE

WORK starts today to put the seats into the stand that Stevenage Borough have extended the length of one touchline. The new-look Broadhall Way will then be near completion to standards that no Nationwide League inspector could damn.

The team will meanwhile travel for a testing assignment at Hednesford Town tonight on a surge of confidence raised by the roasting they dished out to Halifax Town before 2117 appreciative supporters

The determination to repeat their Vauxhall Conference triumph and this time not be denied by League ground-grading deadlines - was equally evident in the negotiations between Paul Fair-clough, the manager, and Victor Green, the chairman, over team building in the light of the summer's costly and unavailing court action to overturn the League's rejection. They resulted in Barry Hayles, the vaunted striker, staying

Fairclough said: "I told the board if we wanted to get into the Football

League, we needed him to stay. They took my advice. If we are going to have a realistic chance, we've got to keep him and other players that clubs have come in for. The shop is closed as far

as we're concerned." Ironically. Hayles, out for a fortnight with a chipped bone in his ankle, was not on view. It was his replacement, Mike Bignall, recruited from Runcorn, who set the ball rolling with two coolly-taken goals in the first 20 minutes.

John Carroll, the Halifax manager, felt those blows heavily. He introduced Bignall, 19, to the Conference at Runcorn last season, but lost his job after an 8-0 defeat by Stevenage and could not persuade the striker to join him at his new club.

A third goal by Barrowcliff straight after half-time and the dismissal of Stoneman, for an incident at a free kick after a free-for-all on the touchline, led to a final half-hour of pure delight for Stevenage. Their enterprising football brought a goal for Sodje and two for Browne.

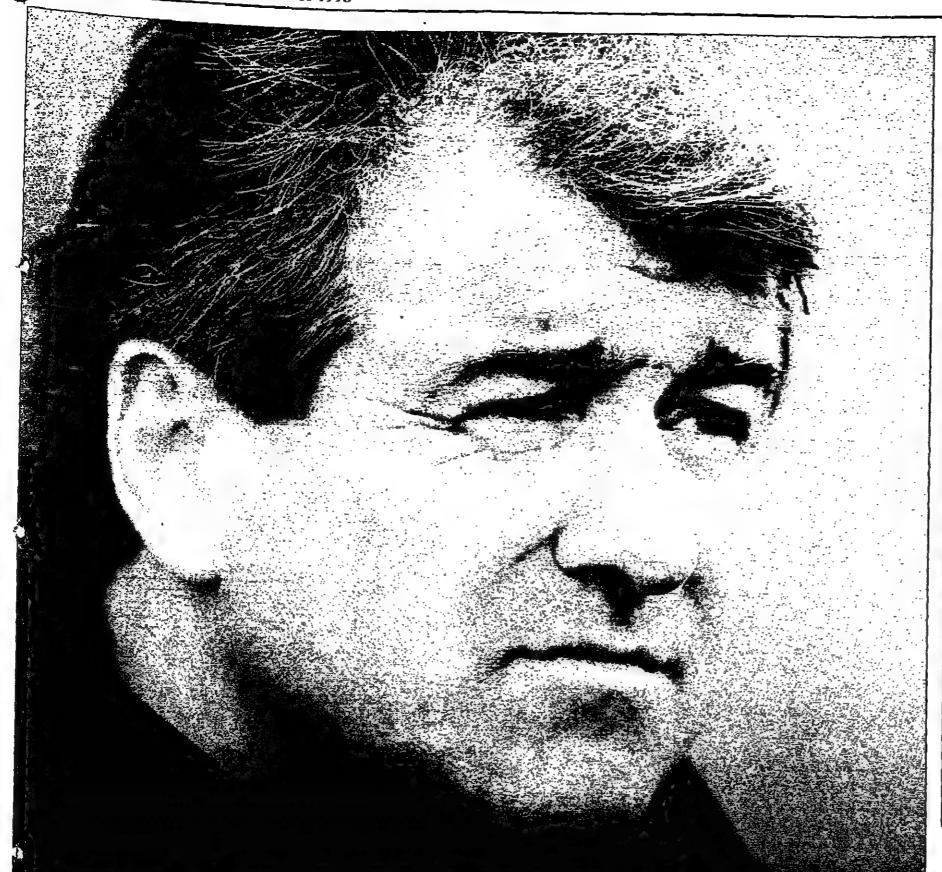
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England players posed good-naturedly for photographs on the Great Wall at the start of their tour of China and Hong Kong. A shadow spread over the trip with stories of rowdy drinking bouts centred around Gascoigne, whose hirthday it was allegations strongly refuted by Venebles

Bound for a bumpy landing



ur preparation for the big event was wound up with a trip to the Far East that provoked criticism from beginning to end. For a start, nearly everyone seemed to come to the conclusion that it was madness to take the players on a lo,000-mile round trip to Peking and Hong Kong so close to a major tournament played in England. It would have made much more sense, argued the critics, to have prepared with

games in Europe.

What they overlooked, or chose to ignore, was the oft-repeated explanation that the Football Association were anxious England should complete their Euro 96 preparations as far away from Europe as possible, so that the risk of an embarrassing outbreak of English hooliganism on the eve of the tournament could be minimised. In other words, the FA wanted us to play in places where the hooligans would find it difficult

to follow. We had three options. The other two were South Africa and America, but neither could give me the two games I wanted. I told the South Africans I would like one game in Johannesburg and one in Durban or Cape Town, because I felt we would have had to do a lot of coaching in Johannesburg if we'd stayed there all the time. Politically it would have been expected of us, and we would have been perfectly happy to do it in other circumstances; but I thought it might bring unnecessary pressures on the

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eve of a major tournament.

The American option, taken up by Scotland, was not a great deal different to our trip in terms of the travelling time. In fact, it was more difficult because you normally suffer more from jet-lag when you are coming forwards in time, as you are when travelling from the States

To Britain.

In any case, modern sport is all about global travel. Brazil, for instance, think nothing of hopping on a plane to fly over 5,000 miles to play a game in the Middle East, then getting back on the plane and going home. And what about tennis players on the grand prix circuit? I

Was listening to the radio during Wimbledon fortnight, and I couldn't help chuckling when I heard what their itinerary is like. They are in California one minute, then they go to Hong Kong, Australia and France before fetching up at Wimbledon. How can you play world sport sitting still, or just ravelling for an hour and a hail? I think it was naivety and ignorance that made so many people critical of our trip to the Far East.

No one was willing after Euro 96. though, to say it did us no harm physically. I had a bit of banter about it with Gary Lineker, because he was one of those who claimed it had been a bad decision to take the players on such a long trip. I said to him: "Why don't you admit you were wrong? Did we play for 120 minutes in two games on the trot in five days? Did we look less fit than anyone else? Did we look less relaxed than anyone else? So why criticise the trip? I think your problem was that you were imagining how it would have been eight years ago, when you were a player. It's different now."

There always used to be this talk about how English footballers were more fired than anyone else when it came to the finals of a major tournament because their season was longer and harder than anyone else's. But our performances in Euro 96 proved that, despite the rigours of an English football season and a long trip to the Far East, the English footballer can be as fit as anyone in the world if the right amount of thought and preparation is applied to the situation.

We chose China and Hong Kong in the end because they could guarantee us two games and because I was impressed by the rate at which Chinese football is developing. In fact, the FA should be thinking about taking England back there, or somewhere nearby. at least three times in the next six years in preparation for the finals of the 2002 World Cup, which is to be shared by Japan and South Korea. The Chinese are certainly going to catch up very quickly. Lazio and Sampdoria had played in Peking before us, so the Chinese seem to have a strong tie-up with Italy. They obviously feel the Italians are the best opponents, it gives them a benchmark for what they are doing, and I think that's wise of

them.

Our 3-0 win in Peking was beneficial in all sorts of ways. Southgate really blossomed in that game, He was outstanding, in fact. The young Neville brothers. Gary and Philip, also shone. Gary certainly showed what he could do. I think it was the first time he and Tony Adams had played together. The I-0 win in Hong Kong also had its benefits, even though it wasn't successful as a match. It enabled

me to involve all the players.

There were institutions all along that the only reason we went to China and Hong Kong was mon-

BY TERRY VENABLES

England's Euro 96 build-up hardly ran smooth, with a much-criticised Far East trip and allegations of wild behaviour. But, in his new book, their coach says adverse publicity strengthened their resolve

ey. The financial incentive for going happened to be good, but that was not the real motivation, which was to get two more games. And the more I look back, the more I think I was right to take England there. players and I could not possibly have taken another ten days at the Burnham Beeches Hotnice as it is. The pressures of living in a goldfish bowl for a month were quite severe enough without extending the period any further. Not only that, but everything we had set out to do in China and Hong Kong worked as well as, if not better than, we had hoped.

Everything except the Cathay

everyone jumped to was that, because the flight home coincided with Paul Gascoigne's 29th birthday, the players had been involved

in a wild party on the upper deck.
Yet nothing really happened on
the plane. If I told the whole story,
no one would believe it. The truth
would certainly exonerate the players. Unfortunately, I cannot set the
record straight because it might
lead to the sacking of a member of
the Cathav Pacific staff.

All I can say is that those newspapers which accused Robbie Fowler and Steve McManaman of causing the damage have got a big problem. I don't know whether different times. Ted Buxton, my assistant, went up there at one point to sort out a complaint from a stewardess who claimed Gazza had been abusive to her, but that was the only sign of trouble so far as I was aware. There was certainly no noise coming from the upper deck.

I was determined myself not to go to sleep until about seven hours into the flight so that I could stay in time with English time. During that period. Gary Newbon, the ITV sports interviewer, and I had a long chat at the bottom of the stairs leading up to the upper section of business class. We didn't hear a sound from up there, yet nobody

They were not doing anybody any harm, they were not causing any trouble and not breaking curfew. From the hysterical reaction back home you'd have thought they had raped and pillaged their way through Hong Kong

Pacific flight home, that is. Some nine hours after we had landed, the airline alleged that two of the minitelevision sets which are built into the backs of business-class seats and a seat tray-table had been damaged in the upper deck section of the jumbo jet, where the players were sitting during the 14-hour journey to Heathrow.

Although no pictorial evidence of the alleged vandalism was ever produced, Cathay Pacific claimed it would cost £5.000 to repair the damage and the FA paid up without any argument. The conclusion those two are going to continue with their legal action, but they would wipe the floor with their accusers in court if they did. I wasn't there on the upper deck myself, but guys I just don't believe would tell lies all say the same thing. I questioned certain players individually about the incident and they all told me the same story.

Only a small number of them were involved, anyway, because most of the squad were fast askeep during the flight home. I know that for a fact because more than one FA official visited the upper deck at

bothered to interview Gary when I invited the press to ask him for his version of events. Colin Malam was sitting near the bottom of the stairs, too, and he confirms that if there was a party going on, it must

have been an unusually quiet one.

Much was made, too, of the visit by a handful of players to the China Jump Club in Hong Kong on the last right of the trip to the Far East. The pictures that appeared in the papers of them, their clothes torn and having tequila poured into their mouths while strapped into an old dentist's chair, were unfortu-

nate, I'll admir. But they were not doing anybody any harm, they were not causing any trouble and they were not breaking curfew. They had been given the night off, and they all returned to the hotel by the 2am deadline I set. Not only that, but the bulk of the squad did not even leave the hotel.

From the hysterical reaction back home, though, you'd have thought they had all raped and pillaged their way through Hong Kong. Again, Gazza took most of the criticism because it was his birthday and he figured most prominently in the pictures. I was annoyed by the reaction because it was made to look as though discipline was slack in the England squad. Yet I've never had any problem on that score throughout my 20-year career

as a coach and manager.

I am fairly easy going, but the players know there is a line they mustn't cross. I used to say to them:

If you were with your wife and young children and there was a bunch of 12 guys swearing and effing and blinding and slamming doors, would you like it? No? Well don't do it to anyone else then. If you want to do it, go and do it

somewhere else." I hate that sort of thing so much, I once put a player on the transfer list for verbally abusing a waiter while we were abroad. I also suspended the German international, Bernd Schuster, for a year at Barcelona. That was his punishment for walking out of the stadium in a hulf after I substituted him during the 1986 European Cup final against Steaua Bucharest, It was irresponsible behaviour because, had we won - not lost on penalties, he could have cost us the game if he had been selected for a drugs test and not been available.

As for the drinking side of it, you've got to use a bit of psychology. If you ban players from going to a pub after Thursday, say, they li 20 to one 30 miles out of town so you don't find out. You've got to try and make them understand why they shouldn't go out, and let them build up a conscience about it. I remember reading a magazine article about Vietnam, and they were saying the day of the Sergeant-Major has gone. Leadership has to be more skilful than that. Saying "don't do it because I say so" doesn't wash any more. You've got to be one of the boys, but not quite. That means they can talk to you, tell you what their problems are, but you've got to be removed. They've got to be comfortable with you, like your company in some ways and not want to lose it. That's how you make the relationship

But I have to say the fuss over the night out in Hong Kong, and then over three players being spotted in an liford nightclub during the 36 hours they were given off after the Switzerland game, was out of all proportion to the 'offences'. They were put in perspective later by the

tales we heard about the drinking exploits in some of the other camps. At one point, it seems, every night was party night for the Czech Republic; and they got to the final!

I'm not suggesting we should relax our attitude to drinking. In fact, we had a ban on alcohol throughout the week, and the players adhered to it strictly. But I just wish the media would not react so hysterically to what they interpret, mistakenly for the most part, as footballers letting the side down.

in terms of psychology, the torrent of criticism directed at the players over the China Jump Club and Cathay Pacific incidents was not without its advantages. I have to be honest and say I saw it as an ideal opportunity to forge the spirit of togetherness in the squad that had been one of the objectives of the Far East trip anyway. It wasn't too hard to do, because I could see we were all upset about the way it was going and we all know that is the sort of thing team bonding is about. You feel hurt and aggrieved and develop an 'I'll show you' attitude.

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When criticism is unjust and hurtful, it does make you fight. If you are guilty of doing something, it's hard to respond in a positive fashion, because you've just got to hold your hands up and accept the blame. I was criticised for introducing a policy of collective responsibility for the Cathay Pacific damage, but I could do that with a clear conscience because I knew nothing out of order had occurred to that flight have.

on that flight home. The united front certainly got us to where I wanted to be a lot quicker than normal. The Italians and other teams have done something similar in the past, but it has usually involved a media blackout. To be fair, we never refused to cooperate with our newspaper, television and radio people. Most of us did our press conference stints every day, which pleased me. We discussed the situation and I made it clear we still had responsibilities to the public, who wanted to know what we thought. I also pointed out that it was not necessarily the guilty newspapers the players would be

punishing by refusing interviews.

We decided to take it a step at a time, but fortunately the mood of the whole nation turned round anyway with each successful game we played. Gazza, McManaman and Fowler were the exceptions because they had been blamed for the trouble. They were raging about it and refused to speak to anyone. But, on the whole, I think we handled it well.

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TOMORROW

A slow start to Euro 96 and Gascoigne's wonder goal

GROWING PAINS OF ENGLAND'S WAYWARD GENTUS



How Gascoigne survived in the glare of hostile publicity

Gazza did well to say, in effect:
"I'm not being rude, I just want to be
quiet. I've been hammered out
of all that. I just don't want to get
involved in all that again." I was
happy because it helped him
concentrate.

He has to deal with things that throw him. No one could take all that he has to contend with. You just have to hope people can grow with it, as the Klinsmanns and the Linetters have.

But even they never had

people following them around in case they slipped up. Lineker, a very popular character, will take care of things and do it right, so they'll leave him alone, But Gazza's let his guard drop a couple of times, so they keep following him to see if he'll do it again.

What people don't understand about Paul is that he is completely different from his public image. Everyone thinks he's a big shot who couldn't care less if you told him off. But he is not like that, He hates to let you down.

Cool Klein keeps clear of the pack

By PATRICIA DAVIES

THERE was not the slightest sign of decline as Emilee Klein parred her way inexorably towards the Weetabix Women's British Open Championship at Woburn yesterday.

The diminutive Californian golfer was steadiness personified as would-be challengers toiled and sweated in the sunshine, but failed to get within four shots of the woman who had started the day six shots ahead and ended it seven clear of her fellow Americans, Penny Hammel and Amy Alcott. Jane Geddes, another American, and the English duo of Lisa Hackney and Alison Nicholas, shared fourth place a further shot behind.

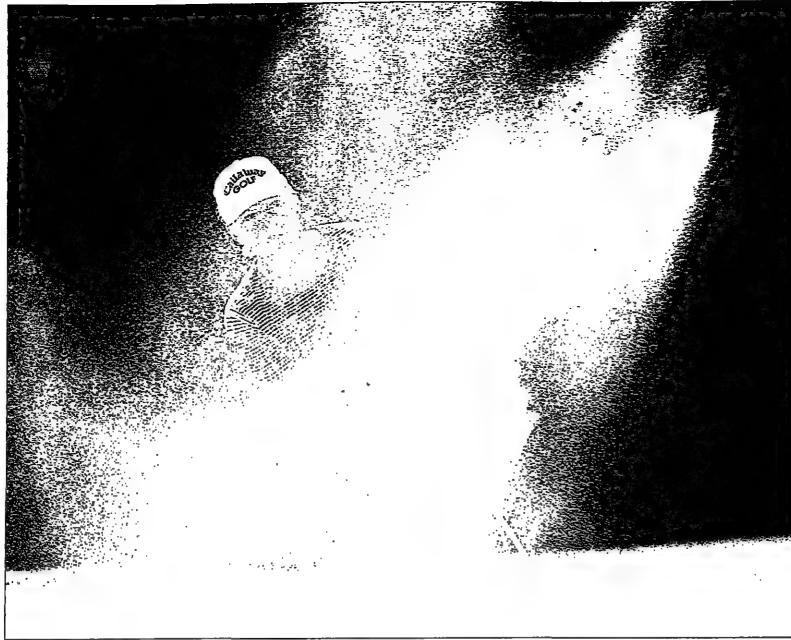
Klein's final round of 72, one under par, contained one bogey five - at the 3rd, where she three-putted - and two birdie fours, at the 4th and 10th, but it was her 15 pars that broke the opposition. Her total of 277 was 15 under par, and the first prize of £80,000 will allow her to add a few pairs of shoes to a collection that is verging on the Imelda Marcos

Klein, who won three points out of four when she played in the Curtis Cup match two contention for a place on the United States team for the Solheim Cup, having won the Ping Welch's championship in Massachusetts last week. That was her maiden victory as a professional and her parents. Bobby and Randee, missed it because they were sightseeing in London. However, they did not miss many shots at Woburn - and neither did their

"l"didn't make many mistakes, and when I did make one. I recovered immediately," Klein, 22. whose boyfriend. Kenny Harms, is her caddie. said. "There was never a moment of real worry, but you just don't know how the others are going to play, I feel so

Hammel made it to 11 under par after 13 holes, with her ourth birdie in five holes, but her charge petered out as she dropped a shot at the 14th and double-bogeyed the 17th. Alcott, the veteran, was never really a factor, but, ever the how-woman, had a birdie

Woburn has a habit of swallowing the pursuing won by six shots: in 1994, Liselotte Neumann, five strokes in front after 54 holes, was still three ahead after 72: in 1993, Karen Lunn won by eight shots, and in 1984. Ayako



Klein blasts out of a bunker on the 6th at Woburn yesterday, one of the shots that helped her to an emphatic triumph over the Duke's Course

Okamoto won by II shots. Those behind inevitably feel the need to force the pace, but there is not room to be expansive at Woburn, and selfdestruction is usually the

claustrophobic," feel Nicholas, who moved to ten under par with four birdies in the first ten holes, said. She was still five behind, though, because Klein, out in 35, level par, also had a birdie four at the long 10th. "I was struggling with my swing in the last two rounds and I couldn't feel what I was doing. It's a great have some wide open spaces now and again. It felt like an alleyway."

Laura Davies, another who feels confined at Woburn, will have until 1999 before she

renews what has become her unequal Open struggle with the Duke's Course. The world No i had six birdies in a closing 70, for a total of 288 and a share of nineteenth place, but did not even enjoy

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moved up 37 yards on the 18th. "I stand on the 18th tee and I'm thinking: 'Will this be out of bounds on the left or in the trees on the right?" Davies

said. "I hit a one-iron and

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the fact that the tee had been Fitting, that."

finished in perfect style for Woburn - under a tree. At least Davies still man-

aged a par five yesterday. On Saturday, having been five under par after 11 holes, she took seven at the last. "That's as miserable as I've ever been coming off a golf course." she said. "I tried on every shot but I must have missed 30 putts inside ten feet this week. It's not the course, it's me. This place is fabulous, it has such an atmosphere and in a way it's a shame to be leaving. It's been a dream of mine to walk up the 18th here as Open

champion." Instead, that honour fell to Klein, and this morning, before she flies to the United States for three consecutive

in Essex. She will be competing against Trish Johnson. Nicholas and Wendy Dicks for rather less than the world record \$340,000 (about £225,000) she won in a skins game in Texas in May - and will make her next home appearance in defence of the Wilkinson Sword English Onen, at The Oxfordshire the week before the Solheim Cup. The pessimists were quick to write off Europe's chances

her attention from trees to the

skins match at Five Lakes

Hotel Golf and Country Club

of regaining the trophy at St showing here, but the optimists recalled that the last time an American won at Woburn — Patty Sheehan in 1992 - Europe won the Solheim

she did not know how to cope with being in the position she was in. As a result, she was unable to threaten Klein and unable to stop her own game unravelling like a ball of wool as the long afternoon wore on.

And it did wear on. They took three hours to play 14 holes, which is far too slow. and, starting at the 12th. Hjorth dropped four shots in three holes. She hung her head. She looked slightly emharrassed and out of her denth and the spectators could scarce forbear to cheer. British records.

Hjorth had begun the afternoon as a late contender for the Solheim Cup team. She will make sure she has competed in the requisite number of events by playing in Sweden this week. After a round of 78, five over par, she ended it looking as though she wanted to be anywhere but alongside Klein. Her day has

ATHLETICS

Edwards calls time on the old stagers

David Powell on the urgent need to reform Britain's domestic programme

onight marks the final appearance of Linford Christie in a Great Britain vest No more, after he competes at Gateshead in the Bupa Challenge, will the lycra-clad warrior of speed and controversy be there to look after

sprinting for his country. It is questionable whether the occasion is deserving of a Great Britain vest, in Christie's case his 63rd, but it would be wrong to nitpick now. The British Athletic Federation (BAF) appears to have recognised, at long last, the futility of the annual match it promoted until this year between Britain and the United States, and, desperate to reverse declining attendances, it is attempting to

clamber out of the trenches. That said, only the BAF, which has suffered so many self-inflicted wounds this season, could class this as a bona fide international fixture, a match in which it selects not only its own team. but the opposition's as well. An International Select squad, which Britain faces

this evening, has been put together by Ian Stewart. 'People are bored with

the BAF head of promotions. However. seeing big the team element is still meaningnames just less, at least there are many attrac tive contests: Christie against

Donovan Bailey. Jonathan Edwards against Harrison, Steve against Charles Austin, Colin Jackson against Allen Johnson, in each case the best Briton against the Olympic champion.

turn up

Such match-ups were conspicuously lacking at the embarrassing parade of British Olympic medal-winners at Crystal Palace last weekend. Only 6.000 spectators turned up within a month of a poorly-attended grand prix meeting there. "You had to el sorry for Linford's farewell London meeting, for the athletics supporters who were there, for all the medalists, for athletics," Edwards

said. "So very sad." According to Edwards, the sooner that Christie, Sally Gunnell, Jackson and he are replaced by new luminaries. the better the sport in his country will be. "The public are bored with seeing Linford. Colin and Sally just turn up and I include myself in that. You need to get back

to real competition. "
While Edwards, Roger Black and Steve Backley. with their silver medals. gave Britain respectability in Atlanta. equally satisfying was the evidence that a new generation is coming through: Ian Mackie. Angela Thorp. Denise Lewis, Iwan Thomas. Add to these Ashia Hansen and Paula Radeliffe who sounded another positive note last week by setting

Patrick Magyar, who assembled the fields for the world's biggest, wealthiest and most successful grand prix, in Zurich last Wednesday, one which is always a sell-out, supports the Edwards theory. Furthermore, Magyar believes that Britain will rise again soon, both at performance level and in spectator support.

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When you have people as good as Gunnell, Christie and Jackson, their shadow is on everything. Now those stars are having difficulties. or are at the end of their careers, it will be a process of just a couple of years to get back to normal." Magyar

Britain must, according to Magyar, curry through its intention to reduce the number of meetings it promotes, or at least those at elite level. Switzerland has only two plus two with budgets of no more than \$250,000 [about £156.000]; These are designed to pro vide Swiss athletes with good international opposition but without the luminaries of the sport there to drain resources. There are six other meetings for athletes show-

ing promise. This is the type of varia-tion Edwards favours: two "high profile" meetings, one

each year in London, the other rotated between Gateshead and Sheffield. and three of a "satellite 'tour" standard to help Britons who are emerging.
The BAF's big-

gest faux pas of the season was its failure to accommodate Michael Johnson in the London grand prix. Tony Ward, the BAF spokesman, has said that the federation was "well past the date" when it needed to look at reducing its number of meetings. Had it done so sooner and had the budget not been spread so thinly, it might not now be facing the future without live television

coverage. The present two-year contract expires this year and ITV senior executives, recogng falling interest. understood to favour a new deal involving recorded highlights only, which would inevitably lead to

reduced sponsorship. "There are a lot of obstacles to cross and traditions to step over and it is going to be hard because it is obvious that, within the federation, all is not well." Edwards said. "Linford has many qualities but you have to say, with respect to being team captain, he did not play the team game and set the example he should have. His relationship with the British media hindered his position

as team captain.

"He would argue it is about motivating team members but it is bigger than that. It is about good public relations and Linford has probably ignored that, not only at his own cost but also at the cost of the sport,"

last week, losing his temper in Zurich with two British athletics writers who had not portrayed him favourably. Let us hope that today he is remembered more for putting burns on seats than noses out of joint.

Hjorth suffers for lack of experience in final stages

LEADING FINAL SCORES

or Emilee Klein, the inhabitunts of the safari park remained friendly. There were lionesses on the prowl at Woburn, their eyes fixed predatorily on her sixstroke lead in the Weetabix Women's British Open, but none proved the least bit menacing. Maria Hiorth, the promising Swede, who was closest to Klein at the start of the day, was no challenge at ull. Her surname means deer in Swedish, but any speed she showed on this hot sultry afternoon was more backwards than forwards.

All that Klein and Hjorth had in common the moment they arrived on the 1st tee hefore a disappointingly small crowd were peaked caps that bore the name of a club manufacturer on the front and had a gap at the back out through which their hair overflowed. That and the fact that

IT IS hardly surprising that Jesper Parnevik is known as

the clown prince of Swedish

golf after another error ruled

him out of the final round of

the Sprint International at

Castle Pines. Denver.

Parnevik was eliminated

when he failed to appear for a four-way play-off for the last

place among the 24 qualifiers in the modified Stableford

tournament after again failing

to give careful consideration to

He was back in his motel as





At Woburn

nearly two years, looked as though she had stepped from the pages of one of those American mail-order catalogues. Thick linstick matched her neatly painted fingernails and the bow in her shirt. Hjorth, the older by one year but only a professional since May, wore what looked more like tennis shorts and had a watch looped in to her

Even their swings were radically different. Klein's be-gins with an inordinately stiff and slow takeaway that is so mechanical it looks as though it has been fashioned in an indoor net. She generates length by using a driver with a long shaft that looks as though it could spin her off her feet if she swung it too quickly. Her swing has none of the graceful rhythm of Hiorth's - but none of the inherent waywardness in a swing that is long and perhaps too willowy either.

"She is very promising with a good swing and a good attitude." Mickey Walker. captain of the Europe team in the forthcoming Solheim Cup. said of Hjorth. "She had an

might not know about her." Walker added helpfully "is that she is a diabetic. She discovered it about one year

For Hjorth to rattle the foundations of Klein's lead. she needed to look lively from the start and a birdie at the Ist. where Klein had a par, seemed promising. Most of what was to go wrong for Hjorth later on was self-inflicted, but it was unfortunate for her that her tee-shot at the picturesque 2nd hole should hit the flag and then rebound into a position from where she took three more. As Klein had started with two pars, her lead was now back

to six strokes.

Hjorth, trailing by six strokes on the 5th tee, walked off the 6th green trailing by four. She birdied these two holes with a good putt on the short 5th and comfortably reaching the 6th in two. That



Hjorth: potential

was as close as she was to get. though it was hard to be sure what anyone else was doing because there were so few leaderboards.

This is only her fifth tourna-

It was now that Hjorth's inexperience began to show.

Lomas snatches Czech title By OUR SPORTS STAFF

> 91st to 16th in the Volvo rankings. "I wasn't even thinking about playing in the Dunhill Cup," Lornas said, "but it's a real bonus. I've already won enough today to buy a sports car - I'm not sure which one I want but it's nice to know I can

Raymond Russell, who fin-ished fourth on 276, and

Russell clinched the third spot, behind Montgomerie and Andrew Collart, in the Scotland Dunhill Cup team and Price won a place in the Welsh lineun, behind lan Woosnam and

in a play-off finale at Moor Allerton, Leeds, Purves, of Tudor Park Hotel Golf Club Ferguson, at the first extra hole after an astonishing fightback in the final round. Ferguson, from Royal Troom, the overnight leader looked to have the title sewn up when he went into a fourstroke lead in the final round.

before Purves battled back.

Tommy Horton also boosted his earnings, taking the Northern Electric Seniors title by four shorts — despite firing a final-round three-over-par 75, at Slayley Hall, The Jerseybased professional finished on 200, seven under par.

He is with within sight of his target of winning £1(X),000 this season, which he could reach next week in the PGA Seniors Championship at the Belfry. "I'm, delighted," he said "This sort of money illustrates just how much the senior tour has progressed in Europe. It is now at a level where senior professionals can afford to regard it as a

TENNIS

Dickson despondent after wasting chance

BY ALIX RAMSAY

THE British national junior tennis championships got off to an understated start at Nottingham yesterday, with the top talent thin on the ground and some of what there was failing to get past the first round.

The best young players in the country are noticeable only by their absence with Martin Lee, the world No l. Ben Haran and Simon Pender all earning their corn on the satellite circuit. James Trotman is also missing, still recovering from a wrist injury

In the girls' events. Abigail Tordoff and Jasmine Choudhury, ranked 53rd and 88th in the world respectively. have decided to try their luck in international junior events in the United States. Amanda Janes has also opted to stay away because she is still

That left the way clear for some new names to claim the limelight, but just when the chance was presented to him on a plate. Simon Dickson failed to take it. Dickson is one of the full-time pupils at the Rover school of excellence at Bisham Abbey, having given up football and his chance of signing schoolboy forms with Manchester United in favour of tennis. Last year he was a force to be reckoned with at under-14 level, but now aged 15 and playing in the higger pond of the under-18s, he is finding life a little tougher. Seeded four, Dickson was

beaten in the first round by Peter Brightman from Stevenage 6-7, 7-5, 6-3. He was less than impressed "I played pretty awful tennis today, he said, "but I haven't been playing well recently and I have lost confidence."

The only other seed to fall was the No 12 Daniel Kiernan, from Ebchester, He had no answer to the power of James Auckland, from Norfolk, and lost 6-1, 6-1.



Steve Lowery, John Inman and Wayne Westner contested sudden death shoot-out, which went ahead without him, after the quartet had tied on 15 points. Parnevik made an even more costly mistake when he refused to look at the scoreboard during the_1994 Open Championship at Turn-

berry, and did not realise he

Parnevik misses play-off

FROM A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

needed only a par at the last hole to get into a play-off at the very least. The Swede, 31. rashly went for the pin, which was tucked away at the front of the green, came up short and registered a bogey five, which enabled Nick Price to win by a shot. He admitted he had made an error, but this latest transgres-

sion is hardly forgivable with 15 points having looked the likely cut-off mark throughout the day. Parnevik, in his third year on the US tour and still seeking his first victory, was unavailable for comment, but

one player said: "Ninety per cent of being successful is

showing up. Jesper had a brain freeze again, which is While Parnevik made an early departure. Nick Faldo

moved within striking distance of adding this title to his US Masters triumph in April. He had five birdies in a third round 69 for eight points. That gave him a total of 18, which left him six behind Brad Faxon, of the United States. "I played well and had a lot of chances." Faldo said. "I was

just pleased to make the last day and now I'll be aggressive and give it a run."

Raymond Floyd birdied the first three holes on the way to a third round of 67, five under par, for a one-stroke lead over Jim Colbert and Jay Sigel in the Northville Long

Island Classic in Jericho, New Floyd, attempting to regain the title he won in 1993, started Saturday in a three-way tie for the lead but made putts of 13. 18 and 14 feet to establish an

JONATHAN LOMAS returned a final-round 66 including a 130-yard wedge shot which finished 12 inches

from the pin at the last - to win the Chemapol Czech Open with an aggregate 272. 12 under par, at Marianske Lazne yesterday.
The 28-year-old Nantwich golfer beat Daniel Chopra. of Sweden, by one stroke, to win the £125,000 first prize - the biggest cheque of his career -

and seal his first PGA Euro-

pean Tour event. In so doing he also clinched a place in the England Dunhill Cup team. Lomas started the day in fourth spot, behind Chopra and Gary Orr, of Scotland, the joint leaders, and Peter Mitchell, of London. Orr and Mitchell fell away, however. returning a final-round 74 and 72 respectively. Lomas's biggest surprise, however, was snatching the third and final

qualified - as he moved from

afford one.

Phillip Price, joint 30th on 282, also had cause to celebrate.

Mark Mouland. On home ground, Stephen place in the England team, Purves took the Reebok PGA behind Nick Faldo and Lee Assistants' Championship title Westwood - who had already

yesterday.

England turn to Croft for Test balance

BY ALAN LEE CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

TRUE to character, Raymond Illingworth's final home Test team as chairman of selectors is among his most controversial. Needing to beat Pakistan to level the series, England have dispensed with Jack Rus-sell and will reimpose the wicketkeeping gloves on a reluctant Alec Stewart at the Oval on Thursday.

After the single-minded at-tack of four seam bowlers that failed to deliver at Headingley. Illingworth and his panel) have also changed course dramatically and included two spin bowlers in a party of 12 lan Salisbury is one, and he will definitely play, but there is also a potential Test debut for Robert Croft, of Glamorgan.

Not the least contentious of the decisions taken in Manchester on Saturday evening, however, was the retention of Chris Lewis. It is now beyond belief that the selectors persist with the flawed theory that Lewis, who has wasted so many chances, is more likely

to win them a critical game than Darren Gough, yet this is what must be concluded from a selection that also, conspicuously and predictably, has no room for the heroes of past Oval victories, Devon Mal-

colm and Philip Tulnell. It is a virtue of the selection panel that there are no cliques and no block votes, just five men of strong and individual opinion. As they did not enter the meeting in the united belief that Russell should be discarded, some hard talking



was evidently necessary. "It was a unanimous decision." Illingworth said, "in the end, It was discussed for a long

time and everything else went back to the wicketkeeping situation. It's hard on Jack but the fact is we have no allrounder. Giving Alec the gloves is the only way we can achieve the right balance." Illingworth also revealed that Russell was telephoned yesterday with the reassurance that he has a guaranteed place on the winter tour to Zimbabwe and New Zealand.

Stewart does not exactly emerge as a winner from this piece of dubious expediency, At Headingley, he batted in a style that he has not shown at this level for more than a year, making 170 in the opening role he favours. As the wicketkeeping is now his priority. in the sense that he must do it but he need not open the innings, his batting is being undermined again at the very moment when it should be protected and promoted.

If England bat first, Stewart will still go in first with Michael Atherton; if they but OVAL SQUAD

M A Atherton (Lancashire, captain, Age: 28 Tests 61), A J Stewart (Surrey, 33, 67), N Hussain (Essex 28, 11), G P Thorpe (Surrey, 27; 31) J P Crawley (Lancashire, 26; 5), D G Cork (Derbyshire, 25; 15), C C Lewis (Surrey, 28, 31), I D K Sallesbury (Sussex, 26, 8), A R Caddick (Somerset, 27; 9), A D Muttaily (Leicestershire, 27; 5), R D B Croft (Glamorgan, 26, 0)

second, the job is likely to pass to Nick Knight. As we are con-stantly being told how much of cricket is in the head, and how success can be dictated by mental preparation, it is anything but ideal for two batsmen to be unsure of their role until the toss has been made. Illingworth is correct in saying that the decision can be

justified on the state of the series and the balance of the team. He is also right to point out that Knight's presence, as a third specialist opener, makes it more workable. But no one can pretend that it is a satisfactory solution to make Russell the scapegoat, and Stewart the dogsbody, on the

annual occasions when England are chasing a series.

If Croft is the beneficiary of the policy, then England will at least be fielding an attack of traditional balance for the first time this summer. There is much to be said for this, especially as Salisbury operates more effectively as one of two spinners, but the England of recent years have tended to draw back from the brink when such possibilities are

Croft, 26, has been playing county cricket for seven years and made two England A tours, the last of them three winters ago. For a spinning all-rounder of such longstanding promise, there remains a sense of unfulfilment about his career, and a close study of his figures is not especially flattering. Until this season, he had been taking his first-class wickets at an aver-

age of 40. This is partly explained by the regular need for him to act as a defensive, stock bowler within the limited Glamorgan attack, it can also be balanced by the fact that he has taken 62

wickets this season, the most by any slow bowler qualified for England. As a proud Welshman, who even teaches the language to the less fluent in his dressing-room, he would want this distinction

made. Illingworth described Croft as "an old-fashioned off spinner" — much like himself, presumably — and compli-mented his action and his record of bowling more overs than most. "People say we play 100 much cricket but I



don't think the bowlers get enough overs in," he said. "Croft has been on the fringe all summer and now he has

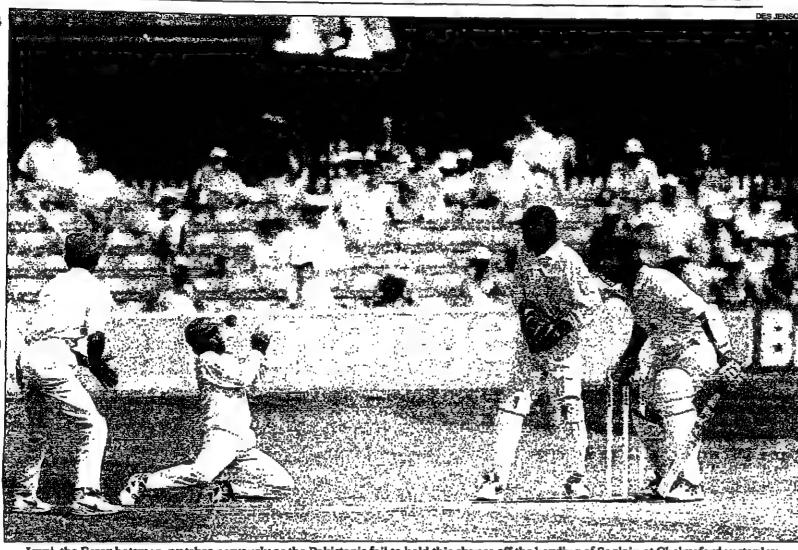
got his just rewards."

Croft is now the obvious choice to travel overseas as England's second spinner, whether or not he plays on Thursday. He offers the bonus of being able to bat as high as No 7 and the runs he made against Warwickshire on Saturday will not have harmed his cause. As with his bowling, though, the suspicion persists that he ought to make more

runs than he does. Lewis will almost certainly be the seam bowler omitted it Croft plays, but he is unarguably fortunate to remain in the reckoning after his erratic efforts at Headingley. After what Illingworth described as a very long discussion". Gough continues to miss out, apparently because he has not bowled impressively when se-lectors have been watching, but this is to ignore his great gift of swinging the ball late, and at will. It is an omission that England may regret on

the arid expanse of the Oval. Pakistan boys

CRICKET: BATSMEN AND BOWLERS PLAY THEMSELVES INTO FORM FOR FINAL TEST



Irani, the Essex batsmen, watches nervously as the Pakistanis fail to hold this chance off the bowling of Saglain at Chelmsford yesterday

Pakistanis bolster their confidence

By PAT GIBSON

CHELMSFORD (second day of three): The Pakistanis, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 389 runs ahead

WASIM AKRAM, the captain, is keeping his powder dry, but the other big guns are blazing as the Pakistanis move confidently, arrogantly even, towards the final Test at the Oval. For all the frailty of the Essex resistance, they are in ominous form.

There were centuries on Saturday for Inzamam-Ul-Haq, whose knee injury seems to be little more than a ruse to save him from having to field, and Asif Mujtaba, followed by a three-wicket blast from Waqar Younis. Yesterday. Wagar picked up two more wickets to finish with five for 42, Saeed Anwar scored his fourth century of the tour and Salim Malik sealed his place in the Test side with 104 not out against his old county.

It does seem that the counties are playing into the opposition's hands with mismatches like this. Having thrashed an under-strength Leicestershire in their last match, the Pakistanis are now lording it over an even weaker Essex and runs, wickets and especially victories can do

wonderful things for morale. Forex, who were already without their overseas player. Law, who is now back in Australia, as well as Cowan

PAKISTAN: First Inning:

Total (9 wkfs dac) 303 FALL OF WICKETS 1-0, 2-8, 3-50, 4-53, 5-127, 6-172, 7-172, 8-92, 9-259, BOWLING lost 12-5-45-2, Andrew 18-3-52-1; Such 26-13-35-2, Irani 14-5-0-67-4, Chuds 14-2-62-0

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and Rollins, who were playing for England 'A', chose to rest Gooch, Hussain and Grayson with a view to more important banles ahead. The bowling was still respectable enough to contain the Pakistanis to 303 for nine declared in their first innings, but the early batting

was at Wagar's mercy. He had already reduced them to 29 for three overnight. with Hibbert. 21, and Peters. just 17, among his victims, so it said something for the spirit of

SCOREBORD FROM CHELMSFORD

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ESSEX: First hinings

Robinson, 23, and Hyam, 20, the reserve wicketkeeper, that they resisted his opening burst in a fourth-wicker stand of 93, which did most to save Essex from having to follow on. Robinson made 57 before falling to Mohammad Akram: Hyam was one run short of 50 when he was teased into a batcatch by Saglain

Aamir Schail, the vice-captain, could probably have done with a bigger score, since

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BOWLING, Waqar Younis 16-5-42-5; Mohammad Akram 12-2-51-1; Ala-ur-

Rehman 8-3-18-0, Saqlam Mushleo 14-3-47-4, Aamir Sohail 4-0-8-0, Salim Mail: 2-

he has still not made fifty in 11 first-class matches on tour, but he seemed happy to settle for proving that he has recovered from the hand injury that kept him out at Headingley. He had made 40 when he was stumped off Childs.

Saced Anwar was not so generous to an Essex attack being treated with utter contempt. A six of Childs into the gardens beyond long-off took him to his 50 and there was another six to go with his 13 fours on his way to a century in two hours off only 90 balls.

He was out soon afterwards, driving flamboyantly at Irani and edging to slip, but that merely left the stage for Salim Malik to confirm that his vast experience would be preferable to the youthful promise of Shadab Kabir at The Oval. Salim enjoyed his two profitable seasons with Essex in 1991 and 1993 and he looked much more like his old self as he cruised to his first hundred of the tour off 108 balls with 15 fours.

too strong despite collapse

PAKISTAN, the favourites, comfortably beat England at Headingley in the second semi-final of the Lombard Under-15 World Cup on Saturday to set up the enticing prospect of a final match against a talented India side.

In a match of high quality, Pakistan were worth their win but the margin of their victory - 90 runs and ten overs to spare - should not detract from England's peformance. Indeed, in a remarkable fiveover spell they showed they were more than capable opponents by taking the last six Pakistan wickets for 17 runs.

Having won the toss and elected to bat on a difficult pitch, Pakistan looked to be in firm control at 191 for four but England never let their heads drop and some fine fielding and controlled bowling precipitated a Pakistani collapse to 208 all out.

The wicket of Taufeeq Umar, who made a fortunate 87 after being dropped three times, was quickly followed by two excellent run-outs, the first a direct hit from Graeme Bridge at mid-off. The second. the result of an excellent pickup and throw from the boundary by John Francis, would have pleased a full international, let alone a 15-year-old schoolboy.

Any hopes England had of building on their good work in the field were quickly dispelled after they lost the tournament's leading run-scorers, Adams, the opener, and Francis, a left-hander, cheaply, reducing them to 35 for three. Only the captain, Alex Loudon, of Eton, offered any real resistance by hitting a gritty 44 but he, like the rest of his colleagues, found it difficult to pierce the inner circle of Pakistani fielders.

Pakistan will approach the final at Lord's tomorrow with understandable confidence. Though their batting looked brittle under pressure on Saturday, they bowled well and in Kahsil Mehmood and Shehzad Nazir they have an opening pair who bowl as quickly and with as much movement as any in the tournament.

More worryingly for India, Abdul Qadir's much-vaunted son, Imran, got his leg spinners to turn hugely and at times had the English batsmen transfixed. If anything, the ball turned away from the bat too much and prevented him from taking more than his final two for 47 off his !! overs. Bowling in tandem with Shoaib Malik, the off spinner, who took two for 19; they posed the batsmen a host of problems and should trouble even the free-scoring Indians.

The standard of cricket seen so far in the tournament has surprised many and it has been easy to forget the young age of the boys. They, however, will not forget the experience. After the close of play, boys from the Canadian and the West Indian teams were playing an impromptu game with a tennis ball in the car park and, as a bonding experience, the planned group trip to sample the delights of the local fish and chip shop should not

"A lot of friendships have been formed here and the players, coaches and manag-

Yorkshire recover Hollioake's claim...

ers have had a wonderful opportunity to exchange ideas and tactics. It really has been a festival of cricket and hopefully will act as a springboard for under-15 competition," Ken Lake, of the English Schools Cricket Association, said. "The discussions now are around whether to hold a tournament every two, three or four years. The England lads have done superbly and should be very proud of their achievements which effectively make them one of the top four teams in the

Sarkar Talwar, the India coach, said the tournament has been invaluable for his players who were looking to play on a bigger stage in the future. "We try to prepare our players mentally and physically to bear the toughness of luckiest players in the world to

nating game.

the big game. The boys have responded wonderfully to the exposure of the tournament and to playing on such a famous ground — they are the be playing at Lord's. It is all they can think about at the moment but they will not be afraid, they will play for victory." It should be a fasci-

BOWLS

Anderson defies odds to conquer the world

By GORDON ALIAN

CARMEN ANDERSON, of Norfolk Island, in the Pacific, won the women's world singles championship at Leamington Spa yesterday, beating Wendy Line, of England, 25-9.

There is only one bowling club on Norfolk Island with about 100 players. Anderson, who was born in the Philippines, has won the Pacific Games singles title three times, was sixth in the world championship in 1992, and two years ago won the bronze medal at the Commonwealth

 Games. She is an entertainer on the green but needed no theatricals to beat Line, who failed to find either length or direction. Anderson was 13-0 up before Line scored. It was all over in 16 ends, with Anderson, oozing confidence. picking up five counts of three. She pushed out Line's shot bowl on the last end to secure the gold medal. Joyce Lindores, of Scotland, won the bronze, defeating Rita Jones, of Wales, 25-4. Line qualified for the final

by a fraction of a shot from Lindores. Both finished the round robin section equal on points, with almost identical records, and under the championship rules the matter was decided by dividing the aggregate of shots scored for each player by the aggregate of shots scored against.

Australia won the fours. coming back from 7-1 down to beat South Africa 18-15, and England, with a team of Norma Shaw, Jean Baker. Gill Fitzgerald and Mary Price, took the bronze medal with a 24-21 win over New Zealand, South Africa took the overall team home trophy.

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Crowds salute evergreen Pessoa

By JENNY MACARTHUR IN ONE of the most emotional

scenes witnessed in Hickstead's famous arena, Nelson Pessoa, of Brazil, four months from his 61st birthday. won his third Silk Cut Derby nine months after suffering the heart attack that he

thought had ended his career. Victory came on the 19-yearold Loro Piana Vivaldi - the only horse in the 34-strong field to complete the lo-fence course on four faults. The win earned Pessoa £40,000, a far cry from his last success in 1965 when, riding Gran Geste, he won £200. that horse today." Pessoa said

"It was a privilege to ride as he deferred praise to the Irish-bred Vivaldi, who has now had ten Derby successes in Europe. "He was so careful and relaxed -- everything you could wish for." For the 18,000 spectators who watched the absorbing contest it was Pessoa, as much as his Irish-bred

horse, who they rose to salute. "It's unbelievable -- there'll never be another like him." one tearful supporter said, as he rushed off to congratulate

Based in Europe since 1961, Pessoa - a veteran of 56 Nations Cups and twice a runner-up in the Volvo World Cup - has had the most turbulent 12 months of his long career. On November 3 he had a heart attack. "I took the doctor's advice and spent a long time getting myself fit again afterwards," he said.

Eight months later, in Atlanta, he enjoyed one of the happiest moments of his career when he watched his 23-year-old son, Rodrigo, help the Brazil team to win the bronze medal - their first Olympic equestrian medal. It was after the Games that Pessoa decided he would compete at Hickstead. "If my heart could pass that test then it was good for another ten years."

tested yesterday. After his round, when his

only mistake came at the first part of the Dyke, he looked quickly at the device on his wrist to check his heart rate as he crossed the finish. He then had a stressful wait to see whether any of the 14 riders who followed him into the

Photograph

arena could match his round. The course, which has produced only 38 clear rounds in its 35-year history, proved as tough as ever. There were numerous falls, including a spectacular one at the bank by Andrew Saywell, on Almare. and a terrifying one at the water by Commandant Gerry Mullins, of Ireland, on the inexperienced Killone Abbey.

Captain John Ledingham. the main threat to Pessoa, saw Pessoa, who trained the Olym- his chance of a third

successive win disappear when Kilbaha hit the Derby Rails and the oxer at fence 14. Michael Whitaker, a fourtimes winner of the event, joined the six riders on eight faults on his brother John's horse, Gammon, who faulted at the first water ditch and the Derby Rails. He retired on his second ride, Touchdown, who took one look at the 10ft 6in drop off the Derby Bank and refused.

Nick Skelton, a three-times rinner, also finished on eight faults on Cathleen, who hit the rails at the foot of the Bank and the second part of the infamous Devil's Dyke. When Michel Robert, of France, the world silver medal-winner and the last rider to go, incurred eight faults at the Dyke, on Airborne Montecillo, the waiting was over. Pessoa covered his face with his hands as if unable to believe that, 31 years after his

last success, he had again won

Europe's toughest event.

King gives a pedigree performance

A BUOYANT Mary King, riding Star Appeal, landed the Scottish Open championships, sponsored by Pedigree Chum, at Thirlestane Castle, Lauder, yesterday. Third after the dressage and cross country, she won by virtue of a clear showjumping round (Davian Cannon writes). King now heads for Burghley, an event she won last year on King William.

Bruce Davidson, of the United States, winner of an Olympic team silver medal, took second with his Eagle Lion, a former Badminton winner, the overnight dressage leader. Daisy Dick and Headley Bravo, came third.

Captain David Foster, of Ireland, and his Atlanta ride, Till' n' Turn, led the testing cross-country phase, with Terry Boon and Vital Decision. but both had costly errors in the showjumping.

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CRICKET: WORCESTERSHIRE AND YORKSHIRE STEP UP CHALLENGE FOR HONOURS IN TIGHTLY CONTESTED AXA & EQUITY LEAGUE

Leatherdale rises to challenge as Middlesex falter

BY SIMON WILDE

LORD'S (Middlesex won toss): Worcestershire (4pts) beat Middlesex by two runs

DAVID LEATHERDALE is one of those county cricketers who was identified at an early age as possessing a special talent and spent most of the rest of his career frustratingly failing to live up to it. But he played a starring role in a thrilling victory yesterday that keeps Worcestershire's hopes of a fourth Sunday league title very much alive.

On a pitch so chokingly slow it could have beaten the Boston Strangler in an asphyxiation contest, Leather date, 28, scored 50, the highest innings of the game, and took four wickets for 31, career-best figures, to stifle and then snuff out Middlesex's faltering attempts to chase 174 to win.

Leatherdale's first five-over spell conceded only ten runs and produced the wicket of Carr. playing in his last Axa Equity & Law League game at Lord's, but it was when Moody recalled him at the death that he made his most telling contribution.

Some brave hitting, borne of desperation, by Fraser and Johnson, who came together at 146 for eight with 28 needed from 17 balls, had carried Middlesex to within six of their target when Leatherdale began the final over. Four runs were scored from the first three balls before Fraser drove the next ball into the hands of Ellis at deep mid-on and, with the delivery after that. Leatherdale bowled Johnson, who had scored 29 from 18 balls, to secure victory by two

Leatherdale had earlier struck only his third half-century in 76 Sunday league

well under 20. But his 50 occupied only 50 balls, which in these conditions was matchvinning batting.
The result all but kills off

Middlesex's hopes of winning the Axa Equity & Law League but lifts Worcestershire to within two points of the leaders. With matches to come against Warwickshire and Surrey, they have yet to meet two of their principal rivals.

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Lancashye (4)		13	6	7	0	0
Hampshire (18)		13	4	7	0	2
Glamorgan (6) .		13	4	7	Q	2
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Essex (5)		13	3	9	Q	1
Durham (16)		14	1	12	0	1

A key factor in the outcome was that Middlesex bowled their overs so slowly that they were permitted to face 39 overs, rather than 40, themselves. Had they had an extra over, they would surely have won the match, although Worcestershire did their best to make amends by bowling a clutch of wides and no-balls early in the Middlesex

Although there was a tense finale, it was, in many ways, an unsatisfactory day's crick-et. One-day cricket is essentially about entertainment, as is watching the game on a sweltering summer's day, but a crowd of 4,000 was treated to

largely frustrated from start to

Despite a short boundary on the Tavern side, strokes worth four runs were almost out of the question, let alone ones worth six. The Worcestershire fielders, in particular, defended this short boundary brilliantly. Spiring patrolling the ropes tirelessly

They also pulled off some fine carches — notably Lampitt's to dismiss Brown and there were three Middle sex run outs, the first of which accounted for Ramprakash, who had looked more comfortable than most at the crease.

Worcestershire, asked to bat first, were obliged to find their way gingerly and the progress of Moody and Spiring, after the early losses of Weston and Hick, was revealing.

They spent 17 overs garnering 52 runs. Spiring spending 54 balls scoring 16 and Moody 64 over his 40. Of the 56 runs made between them, 46 came in singles and ten of them in Moody. Although the rate of scoring picked up significantly in the second half of the innings, only live boundaries were struck in all, four by Leatherdale and one Rhodes, who hit a vital 27 from 19 balls at the end.

Hick's dismissal was typical of a man whose form, and luck, have deserted him. He had faced three balls when he responded to Moody's call for a quick single only to see Fay, the bowler, moving across to field the ball himself on the onside. His shy at the farther set of stumps scored a direct hit.

it completed an unhappy four days — and, indeed, an unhappy season — for Hick on the greatest stage in England. In seven innings there, his



Robert Croft, newly called up by England, is bowled by Shaun Pollock during

Hartley streaks to Sunday best innings

BY JACK BAILEY

BRISTOL (Yorkshire won toss); Yorkshire (4pts) beat Gloucestershire by 133 runs

FOR Yorkshire, it will be small consolation for defeat in the semi-finals of the NatWest Trophy and the loss of direction in the county championship, but at least they are still in with a shout when it comes to the AXA Equity & Law Sunday League, Yesterday, they displayed rare all-round skills in trouncing Gloucester-shire by dint of batting, bowling and fielding in a different class to that of their opponents.

It was in fact, a bowler, Peter Hartley, whose batting ensured that Gloucestershire were confronted by the formidable total of 262 for seven. He smote the ball to all parts of the ground after the essential foundations had been laid by Martyn Moxon, Michael Vaughan and David Byas. It was an all-rounder. Craig White, who produced a devastating opening burst of three for 23 in six overs, and ran out Matthew Windows with a kick un to the stumps. This reduced Gloucestershire to a desperate 53 for faur.

Finally, it was a specialist howler, Richard Stemp, who removed Hancock, a dangerous-looking Lynch, Russell and Walsh in six overs for a career best four for 25, which wrapped up victory for Yorkshire with nearly II overs to spare. This left Gloucestershire with even less to show for their efforts than the male streaker, who ran over and round the playing area while nobody took a blind bit of notice.

their highest Sunday score of the season and highest in the competition against Gloucestershire. Byas, the Yorkshire captain, resorted to some astute juggling of the batting order. To set the tone, he went

Against comparitively undemanding bowling - Walsh kept himself back until the garne was ten overs old these two put on 50 inside the first eight overs. Byas was a commanding figure, driving straight and often, moving to his 56 from 50 balls with six boundaries off the middle of the bat. Nemesis was at hand, however, in the guise of Walsh Byas fell to him for the third time in as many innings. but by then the first-wicket pair had reached 94 and

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Yorkshire were on course. It was then that Yorkshire stuttered. Mark Alleyne bowled more economically than anyone and accounted for Moxon. When Symonds bowled White, Yorkshire had lost three wickets in adding 30 runs and the innings was still in the balance. White's was one promotion that did not come off, and while Vaughan stroked the ball around pleasantly, the elevation of Gough to come in at the fall of the third wicket was also unsuccessful. But help was at hand.

Hartley, who came in at the fall of the fourth wicket, lost Vaughan, leg-before to a straight one from Lewis, but this did not deter him from indulging his penchant for hitting sixes at Bristol. A brace in the county match just gone was followed by four more from soaring straight drives as he added 48 in five overs with Blakey. He raced to a career Sunday best 52 from 29 balls, hit a four to accompany his sixes and left Gloucestershire with far too much to do.

They never really gave Yorkshire much cause for concern. Only Lynch batted long enough to look menacing and when Stemp had him well caught by Moxon at point, Gloucestershire were 89 for five and victory a formality.

Warwickshire prove their resilience



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By Ivo Tennant

WARWICKSHIRE, the AXA Equity & Law League runners-up last season and chamnions in 1994, are not a club in repose. Their victory over Glamorgan yesterday. achieved by the emphatic margin of seven wickets, took them to within two points of the leaders, Surrey, who did not have a match. Nottinghamshire and Yorkshire. Nick Knight, their England opener, made one of the most telling contributions, his unbeaten innings of 73 including seven fours.

Warwickshire may not received the same publicity and plaudits as in years gone by, and Reeve, their combative captain, has gone to contemwhich retired player does not?

- but they are still a considerable side. Knight was given support by Brown, who con-tributed 77 before he was legbefore to Croft. These two added 81, taking their time to reach their target with 13 balls

Croft, Knight's putative colleague at the Oval on Thursday, made 23 off 29 balls and then took one for 15 in eight overs, as tight a spell of bowling as an off spinner can expect to return in this form of the game. This was something for Glamorgan to savour. There was little else in a match in which their batsmen never managed to cope with a slow Edgbaston pitch. They lost their first five wickets for 33 through a succession of mistimed shots against the medium pace of Munton and Small. The only partnership of and Dale. Warwickshire still have to

shire, who won by eight wickets with 19 balls to spare at Derby. Accomplished batting by Robinson and Johnson took them to victory after Derbyshire had failed to make a challenging total. At one stage they were 171 for two with ten overs still remaining. but the innings fell away.

Barnett, the former captain. contributed 99 off 106 balls and Adams a brisk 42 but only 58 runs came off the last ten overs. For Nottinghamshire. Robinson and Dowman added 87 in 17 overs, the former dismissed ten runs short of a century when he uncharacteristically swung across the line at Harris. Cairns then came in to ensure

note was 43 between Gibson the target was reached with

There was an exceedingly contend with Nottingham- close finish at Old Trafford. not for the first time this season in limited-overs cricket. On this occasion Lancashire beat Hampshire by one run. Smith contributing the highest score of the match. 77 from 63 balls.

Alas for him, his innings was not enough. In the closing stages of their innings. Hampshire, who required 224 in all. needed eight runs an over. This came down to eight required off the last two balls. Renshaw, the tailender, sliced Yates to the boundary but could only manage two runs from the final ball. Lancashire's total included halfcenturies from Atherton and Fairbrother, the nonpareil in this form of the game.

Lancashire seek new coach

BY IVO TENNANT

acting head coach, just a few days after defeating Yorkshire another county next year after being told that his contract is to reach their second one-day not to be renewed. Aged 37, he final of the summer. Bob. has scored more than 16,000 Bennett, the club chairman. said: "He has done a great job runs for the county and played in two Tests against West and will stay in a senior Indies in 1984. capacity, but we have decided to look for a new man. preferably one with interna-

He has scored 1,000 runs in a season II times and made his career best score of 190 against Sri Lanka at Southampton in 1990. An outstanding catcher. he was overlooked for the Hampshire captaincy in favour of John Stephenson when Mark Nicholas retired at the end of last season.

☐ A special general meeting of MCC members, chaired by Sir Oliver Popplewell, the

president is to be held at

LANCASHIRE have dis- Paul Terry, the Hampshire Lord's on August 29 to vote on missed John Stanworth, their and former England opening a resolution for the approval batsman, is looking to play for of the proposed new grandstand development.

The club said that its failure to obtain National Lottery funding for the project was "extremely disappointing" but it feels that it is vital to have a new edifice in place before the next World Cup is staged in England in 1996.

MCC describes the conditions in the lower tier as "very unsatisfactory and claustrophobic" and says there are substantial pockets of seating in the upper tier which have severely restricted views of the game. It is also claimed that the boxes and dining-rooms have become outdated and that access to the upper levels is inellicient.

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Kent v Somerset KENT

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Stanworth, who at the start

of the summer took over from

David Lloyd, now the Eng-

land coach, will remain in the

job until the end of the season.

He is still determined to help

NatWest Trophy to add to the

Benson and Hedges Cup, "It is

a massive blow, but I will not

let it affect the team." he said.

Lancashire to win

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Salisbury case raises issue of transfer system

THIS is to be a busy, diverse and potentially unpalatable day for Sussex cricket. By this evening, they will know from Lord's if they are to be the first club to have a player suspended for failing a drugs test but, before that, decisions of lesser profile but greater long-term moment will be taken at Hove.

The case of Ed Giddins. which finally comes before a discipline committee of the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) this afternoon, is a diversion, unwelcome but of no alarming significance to cricket, as distinct from society. Drugs are not a cricketing problem, for the simple reason that the game is too long and measured for stimulants and steroids to be of any use. If Giddins did take any banned substance, it was surely not to improve his fast bowling.

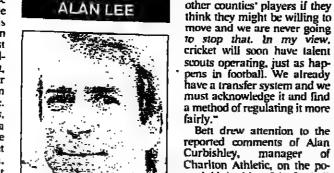
But, if drugs will never become a major issue in cricket, player transfers most certainly will - in fact, other than to the ostrich tendency which rejects the mounting evidence, they already have. So this morning's meeting of the Sussex committee, one of many that will be taking place around the county clubs in the coming formight, is of singular interest. Their agenda is dominated by player contracts and their inclination is to question a system of gentlemanly tradition that is abused more flagrantly by the year.

Whatever Sussex decide about their traumatic relationship with Giddins, they will routinely be offering a new contract to their only present Test player, Ian Salisbury. And, although they will not admit quite so much, they will be expecting him to reject it.

Salisbury has been unsettled at Hove for some time and, only last year, turned down the offer of an extended contract. He has a fancy for playing on a Test ground, on a pitch that helps his leg spin. for a team that makes more runs than Sussex and a club that will pay him substantially more money. Surrey fit the

Now that Salisbury's existing contract is about to expire





Championship Commentary

there is little Sussex can do to keep him. They can, and will. offer him new, improved terms and they can ensure that he is a List One, contested registration. But this will not deter any would-be employer when a Test cricketer is on the market and nor, more importantly, does it offer anything but moral restitution to the club suffering the loss.

There have been ample examples in recent seasons. Notable among them are Dean Headley, lost to Middlesex and now helping Kent to sustain a challenge for the title, and Nick Knight, who stunned all at Essex when he left to join Warwickshire, the champions. There will assuredly be more.

Sussex may reluctantly have to swallow Salisbury's departure but the gathering momentum of player movement is fortifying them in the protection of their younger, homebred talents. When the TCCB stages its summer meeting at Lord's tomorrow. Sussex are prepared to raise the issue of compensation payments for

It is not the first time this has been brought before the Board. Essex, enraged by their impotence when Warwickshire wooed Knight away, made a similar proposal two years ago. The majority of counties refused to listen or, more likely, refused to accept that such switching of clubs was becoming something

more than a regrettable rarity. They cannot be so complacent again. In all but name, cricket does now have a transfer system. It also has a considerable amount of money, the product of international revenue and television contracts, which is making the Test-staging clubs, in particular, tolerably rich. They can afford to seduce the best players away from the smaller clubs and, increasingly, they will do so.

Nigel Bett, the secretary of Sussex, is realistic about it. "We all know that clubs talk to

Matthew Fleming, the Old

Etonian all-rounder who

plays his cricket with a zest

that the ancients would have

recognised. What has exacer-

bated the situation is that

Kent, at a time when they are

challenging strongly for the

county championship, have had three captains in three

weeks: Marsh, before he was

injured: Hooper, under whom

they were beaten for the first

time this season and who was

offered the vice-captaincy ear-

lier in the campaign: and

Ward, who is leading them at

present. Since the injured

Benson will not play at all this

season, and committees will

never please everybody, a

long-term decision might best

But it will not be. It is,

be made henceforth.

other counties' players if they think they might be willing to

have a transfer system and we

Bett drew attention to the

reported comments of Alan

tential iniquities of the football

market. "Where will the incentive be for smaller clubs to

have youth schemes if, after

three years of nurturing a

young talent, the player leaves on a free transfer? I simply

cannot see the clubs bother-

ing." Curbishley said.

Bett said: "The same thing

applies in cricket. We have invested time and money in

producing local boys like Dan-

ny Law and James Kirtley,

who may go on to play for England. But we cannot

match the salary figures that

some big clubs are able to

bandy about. We have no wish

to lose any such players but

my point is that there should

be adequate compensation if

It is the sound judgment of

Bett that such payments ought simply to equate to twice the

transferring player's annual salary, as documented on his

P45. There could be no dis-

putes about that, because it is

a legal form, and if we lose a

player because we have been

underpaying him, then we also lose out on the

Sussex should pursue this

proposal, not only for their

own good but for every similar

county whose talent is at risk.

They are not yet ready to support a two-division champ-

ionship, a logical step now

gaining backing from previ-

ously reluctant areas such as

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all-rounder who is in the frame for a tour place

n the first morning of

Simon Wilde on

the Surrey

the representative match between a TCCB XI and South Africa A at Chester-le-Street last Thursday, things were not going well for the bright young things of England. The seamers were bowling without luck and repcatedly passing the edge of the bat. What edges were found did not go to hand but often flew to the boundary. By lunch South Africa A had reached

150 for one. Most of the team were very uptight during that first ses-sion and Adam Hollioake, the captain, tried not to let his players see his own anxiety. He had to wrestle with himself to keep the slips in place until lunch, when he decided something had to be done.

"I told all the players to relax," he said, "I told them we had been chosen specially for the game, but if we were afraid of losing, things would not work. It was important we enjoyed ourselves. My speech had nothing to do with two wickets falling in the first over of the afternoon, but after that we were up and running."
Indeed they were, and on

Saturday, seven sessions lat-er. Hollioake's heroes had inflicted on the visitors the first defeat of their tour. The South Africans were not, in truth, very good but the improvised TCCB XI had achieved something that eluded a full England touring team, who played - and were beaten by - a South Africa A side in Kimberley last year.

The result should enhance Hollioake's personal cause. He is in the running for England's winter tours and is a strong contender for the captaincy of the A side to tour Australia, where he was born and lived until the age of 12. He is now a mature 24.

He is deceptively calm. He claims not to care about the captaincy, putting down his willingness to gamble to an indifference to job security. But he expresses well-rea-



Hollioake presses his England claims

Hollioake's contribution with the bat and as Stewart's deputy is always forthright

necessarily hold with the majority view, delivered with a cool-eyed conviction that suggests that he does not give ground easily.

He admits that if he were not captaining a side —

deputy to Alec Stewart at Surrey — he would have to get involved in other ways. He unashamedly concedes that this might involve "talking to the opposition".

As someone who played

better than that because, as England's search for a No 6 goes on, his name is in the frame. Quite rightly, 100,

Australia, Hollioake's

local knowledge would be invaluable, but he may do

60 with the bat and is one of the few specialists in the country. He knows exactly what is involved,

"As a batsman you must be worth your place in the side and capable of dealing with different situations," he said. "You could go in with your side in a strong position and needing you to drive home the advantage, or they could be in trouble and you've got to dig them out of it. As a bowler, you must be able to bowl ten tight overs while your main bowlers rest. I

really enjoy it.
"If England are looking for another Ian Botham they are wasting their time. There isn't one. Brian McMillan is the only all-rounder in the world today. And fielding five bowlers is not the answer. No side in the world does that." He did not quite

'If England are only looking for another Botham, they are wasting their time'

say "I'm England's man", but that was probably the drift. Hollioake strongly believes no side should ever go into a match without a spin bowler (this only a week after En-gland's failed all-seam strategy at Headingley) and thinks it "almost a crime" not to use every batsman in a limitedovers innings. Last week, Surrey lost a NatWest Tro-phy semi-final in which only three batsmen got to the crease before the 44th of 60 overs and Julian, an in-form big-hitter, did not bat at all.

"A lot of the other boys lin the Surrey sidel thought the bowlers got it wrong." he said. "I thought we did not get-enough runs." Stewart, he added, does not mind him offering his opinions. One can imagine they come at a

Hollicake - whose brother Ben has represented England Under-19 this summer surely has something to offer England. His destructive batting would be well suited to one-day internationals, and though he may struggle to restrain the world's best with his seam bowling, he has devised some clever varia-

Salisbury: unsettled

Batting failures hand initiative to New Zealand

WORCESTER: (third day of four): New Zealand Under-19 beat England Under-19 by eight wickets

A CHASTENING defeat inside three days left Graham Saville, the England Under-19 manager, at a loss to explain his team's indifferent performance at

The omens are not too propitious for England - they are without a victory in eight under-19 internationals against New Zealand - and must now

four-day game starts on Thursday, if they are to draw level in the threematch series.

The loss of their incisive new ball pairing of, Alex Tudor, of Surrey, and Paul Flutchison, of Yorkshire, through injury has proved to be significant, only heightened by the continued absence of Alex Morris, the Yorkshire all-rounder, with a hand injury.

At Worcester, it was a lack of application among the early-order batsmen that undermined England with David Sewell, the touring team's

lively left-arm seamer, collecting match figures of ten for 98. On a relaid New Road wicket, New Zealand had been quietly content to be asked to field first on Thursday. Worcester is, though, always a perplexing wicket to read, and the relaid surface only added

As it transpired, the wicket was at its most helpful for the seamers in the mornings and eased through the afternoon. Although Sewell did exploit some uneven bounce, the manner in which England's batsmen capitulated justified reprimand. The home team's much-vaunted array of batting talent followed the lead of David Roberts who, in the match's third over, was fooled into hooking a bouncer from

Sewell to fine leg.
England's first-innings total of 176
was woeful, but an excellent fightback. on the second morning, instigated by Matthew Hoggard, on his under-19 debut, almost revived them. However, this is a resourceful and well-prepared New Zealand squad and through Gareth Hopkins, their wicketkeeper. the ascendancy and the match was snatched from England's grasp.

Contenders keep Kent cogitating over the captaincy conundrum

Selecting Mark Benson's replacement is

no easy matter, Ivo Tennant reports

CONFERRING the captaincy of Kent without rancour is an art that has not often been mastered by successive general committees. Bill Murray Wood learnt of his dismissal. in Canterbury week, when he heard the cry of a newspaper vendor on the boundary. Mike Denness, the most successful of all their leaders, was succeeded by Asif Iqbal after winning two trophies in one season. Chris Tavare was replaced by Christopher Cowdrey against the wishes of the senior players. Being usurped or overlooked never did appeal to any cricketer.

The county's general committee has another harsh decision to make this autumn. It has a number of contenders to consider as Mark Benson's successor, none of whom is an obvious choice. Steve Marsh, even though he will be 36 next year and keeps wicket, which is sufficiently onerous in itself, will be the likely choice of the - cricket committee. He is thought to have been a capable leader this season. Graham Cowdrey, whose father and brother led both county and country, would have been an obvious candidate had he not been dropped this season. So would Carl Hooper, the overseas player, had he not declared that he wished to concentrate on his batting. Trevor Ward has a claim as the senior professional. Mark Ealham has been mooted, not least because there is a con-

cern he might be lured else-

where when he is out of

contract at the end of this year.

choice to Marsh would be

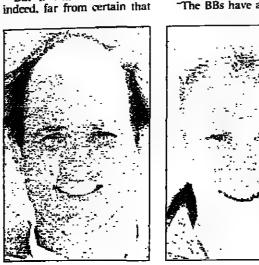
The most likely alternative

Benson: out injured

the recommendation of the cricket committee, upon which sits such notable former players as Denness, Bob Wilson, Derek Ufton, the chairman, and, as co-opted members, Arthur Pheby, Derek Underwood and Graham Johnson. will be accepted by the general committee. But this decision will not be made out of court by lobby groups, as might have been the case in the past," Stuart Anderson, the secretary, insists.

He was referring specifically to the Band of Brothers, not a masonic sect but a longestablished Kent club with numerous influential members. It was revived in 1880 by the fourth Lord Harris, who made it a nursery for Kent amateur cricket.

"The BBs have always had



Ward: senior player

great power in Kent cricket," Ufton said. "Some Kent play-ers have blamed them for everything. I don't - I think they act in the best interests of Kent cricket. But I do feel that the decision in the 1980s to replace Tavaré, whom the cricket committee wanted to retain as captain, set the club back ten years. Now, I think everything is being discussed in an amicable way." The Band of Brothers, un-

like Daryl Foster, the Kent coach, would favour Fleming, and not only on account of his background. He plays his cricket in the spirit they relish. And, because he is not dependent on the game for his living, he is not beholden to committees. Ufton's personal choice will

be Marsh. As a former wicketkeeper, he knows better than most whether it is possible to combine that most exacting of tasks with the captaincy. Alan Knott felt, when Denness left Kent in 1976, that it was feasible, but, great cricketer though he was. he was overlooked.

Ufton, who was a distinguished sportsman - he also played football for Charlton Athletic and England - concedes that, within the general committee, there is support for Fleming. "He is a lovely guy. he wants the captaincy and he tells everyone he wants it. I fully appreciate he would be the obvious choice for some people." He is aware, too, that his view is only a recommendation. Kent's decision in October will say something about where the true authority resides in the club.

Britannic Assurance county championship Derbyshire v Nottinghamshire

DERBY (that day of lour) Notingham-shire, with sa second-mings wickets in hand, require 330 runs to beat Derbystime DERBYSHIRE: First Innings 341 (D M Jones 105, D G Cork 97; M N Bowen 5 for 53)

J P Crawley not out G D Lloyd Ibw b Whitaker "M Watkinson c White b Stephenson.

"J P Stephenson c Hegg b Martin G W White Ibw b Chappie P R Whiteker c Atherton b Chappie

Second Irrangs G W White Ibw b Chapple

Extres (tb 1, w 1)

Total (1 wkt) FALL OF WICKET 1-16

Total (83 overs) 234
FALL OF WICKETS 1-16, 2-29, 3-48, 4-143, 5-167 6-169, 7-217 8-228, 3-233
BOWLING Martin 19-10-26-3; Chapple 18-7-43-4, Walkinson 18-2-71-2; Keedy 21-6-44-0; Green 11-1-22-0; Altherton 2-0-7-0, Gallian 4-1-10-1

BOWLING: Martin 5-3-6-0, Chapple 4-3-2-1, Green 2-0-6-0; Walkinson 2-0-6-0

Bonus points Lancastire 7 Hampshire 5

Middlesex v Worcestershire

LORD'S (third day of four) Worcestershire

WORCESTERSHERE: First Innings 369 (T M Moody 124, V S Solania 69 W P C Weston 59)

Second innings

T S Curtis not out W P C Weston o Garting b Tutnell G A Hids o Brown b Tutnell "T M Moody b Hewiti

with six second-innings wicket 106 runs ahead of Middlesex

Umpires. J D Bond and B Dudleston

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First linnings 317 (P Johnson 82, C L Carris 75, R T Robinson 53, P A J DeFreitas 5 for 54) Second Innings

Total (8 wkts dec) .

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Bonus points Derbyshire 7 Nothnighernshire 7 Umpres R Paimer and R A White

Kent v Somerset CANTERBURY (third day of lour) Somer-sel, with two linst-urings wickets in hand, are 227 runs behind Kent KENT: First Innings 616 for 7 dec (M J Walker 275 not out, C L Hooper 76, D W Headley 63 not out, T R Ward 57)

SOMERSET: First Innings l Lathwell c Fulton b Headley Trescothick flow b Headley ... Parsons c Wills b Headley Harden c McCague b Llong Ecclestone lbw b Wren S Lee c Palel b Hooper †R J Turner c Wills b Hooper G D Rose b McCague s (b 12. lb 8, w 11, nb 8)

Total (8 wkts) . Score at 120 overs 276-4 J D Barry to bat FALL OF WICKETS: 1-22, 2-28, 3-90, 4-252, 5-345, 6-350, 7-375, 8-388 BOWLING: McCague 23-6-69-1, Headley 29-10-60-3, Wren 20-7-53-1, Patel 43-18-

SATURDAY'S SCOREBOARDS 84-0. Hooper 31-10-49-2; Fleming 4-1-12-0; Liong 15-6-32-1 BOWLING: Fraser 5-1-60; Fay 3-0-9-0, Turnel 22-11-21-2 Hevent 8-4-17-1, John-son 5-2-12-0; Weekes 7-0-19-1. Bonus portis Keni 5 Somerset 5 Umpires: B Leachealer and A Clarkson. MIDDLESEX: First innings

to the difficulties.

Lancashire v Hampshire Weekes c Hick b Shertyar ... Pooley c Weston b Illingworth . Ramprekesh c Hick b Bingworth OLD TRAFFORD (third day of lour) Hampshire, with nine second-minings wick-els in hand, require 394 runs to bea и P Ramprakash с ню, о м W Gaiting b Lampit *M W Gatting b Lampter
J D Carr not out
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A R C Fraser c llingworth b Elfe
P C R Tutnell not out

Extres (b 2, b 14, w 5, mb 2) LANCASHIRE: First Innings 342 (M A Athenton 63, N H Fairbrother 54)

Total (9 wkts dec) ... Score at 120 overs: 302-9 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-83, 3-133, 4-142, 5-142, 6-167, 7-185, 8-211, 9-251 BOWLING, Sheriyer 24-4-53-1; Ellis 11-1-39-1; Moody 12-0-52-0; Lampitt 31 4-7-87-2; Ringworth 47-15-85-5, Solenki 11-4-20-80WLING. Renshew 9-2-36-0, Thursfield 4-0-18-0; Udal 18-1-69-1, Stephenson 13-2-56-1, Maru 27-7-49-1; Whitaker 11-0-64-

Bonus points Middlesax 6 Worcestershire 8

Umpres. J H Harris and R Julian Warwickshire v Glamorgan EDGBASTON (third day of lour): Warwick shire, with all second-innings wickets in hand, require 125 runs to beet Glamorgan WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings 498 (S M Pollock 150 not out, K J Piper 82, D P Ositer 65, N V Knight 63)

Second Imangs
N V Knight not out GLAMORGAN: First Inrungs 214 (S. F. James 90, M.P. Maynerd 69; A.F. Giles 6 for 63)

adras (b 5, b 2, nb 16)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-68, 3-263, 4-302, 5-324, 6-325, 7-334, 8-340, 9-342 BOWLING Pollock 20-4-57-0, Munton 17 5-2-62-2; Giles 34-4-118-3, Smith 49-13-166-5; Brown 1-0-9-0. Bonus points: Warwickshire 8 Glamorgan 5 Umpires J C Belderstone and V A Holder

Tour match TCCB XI v South Africa A CHESTER-LE-STREET (third day of four) TCCB XI beat South Africa A by eight SOUTH AFRICA A: First Immings 302 (N Boje 65 G F J Liebenberg 54, M W Pringle 52: 1 D K Salisbury 4 for 62) Second Innings
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M. W. Pringle b. Kintey
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G. J. Smith not out

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1, 2-5, 3-6, 4-29, 5-80, 6-102, 7-151, 8-157, 9-191 BOWLING: Cowen 15-2-36-2; Kintey 16-2-51-5; Lew 7-1-36-2; Salssbury 10.4-2-47-1, Holloake 3-0-10-0 TCCB XI: First Innings 338 (A D Brown 79, J A Daley 76; M W Pringle 4 for 123)

Second Innings
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M A Butcher b Crookes
A P Wels not out
A D Brown not out
Extras (b 5, b 3, w 1 nb 20) BOWLING Smith 7-1-12-1, GRder 6-1-26-0; Prangle 8-1-40-0; Klustener 6-1-19-0; Bole 4-5-0-48-0; Crookes 3-0-7-1. Impres. H D Bird and M J Ha

Second under-19 Test match England v New Zealand WORCESTER (third day of four) New Zeeland beat England by eight wickets

ENGLAND: First Innings 176 (O A Shah 69; D G Sewell 6 for 47) Second Innings D J Roberts c Hopkins b Sewet E T Smith c Oram b Burson A J Swann b Burson D J Sales tow b Vetlori O A Shah c Wafter b Vetlori . D A Cosker C Hopkins b Sewell

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"G J Batty c Hopkins b Sewell

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FALL OF WICKETS 1-38, 2-53, 3-88, 4-94, 5-160, 6-198, 7-229, 8-232, 9-237, BOWLING: Sawell 21-3-51-4; Burson 17-3-65-2: Cure: 12-4-49-0, Vettori 26.4-8-64-4

NEW ZEALAND: First Innings 329 (G J Hopkins 79, M D Bell 66; M Hoggard 5 for Second Innings

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Bahamian Bounty floors Zamindar

FROM RICHARD EVANS RACING CORRESPONDENT IN DEAUVILLE

THE recent run of stunning success enjoyed by Frankie Dettori and David Loder continued here yesterday when they combined to pull off the biggest two-year-old shock of the season as Bahamian Bounty floored Zamindar to win the Prix Morny Piaget.

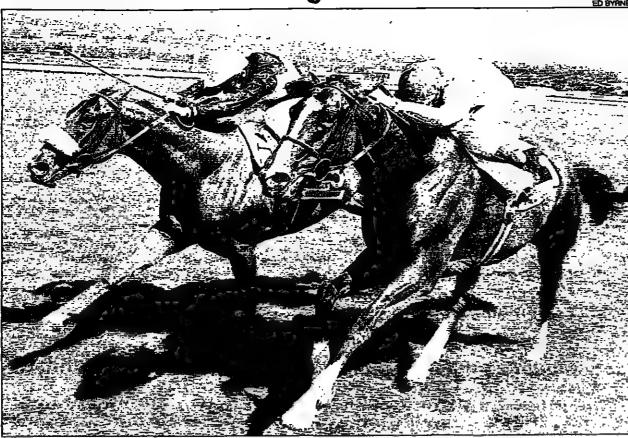
The group one success capped a remarkable four days for Dettori, who returned to race riding just over a week ago after two months on the sidelines. Having ridden a listed race winner at Salisbury

DEAUVILLE DETAILS

1, BAHAMAN BOUNTY (L Detrori): 2, Zamindar (T Jamet); 3, Pas De Reponse (F Head) 5 ran Sh nk, 3l, D Loder (GB), Pen-mutuel (nc. 1Fr stake): 6 60; 1 10, 1 10 CSF €14 50.

on Wednesday, the champion jockey kicked home the Lodertrained Bin Rosie in the group three Hungerford Stakes at Newbury on Friday before carrying the Queen's silks to success on Phantom Gold in the group two Geoffrey Freer Stakes on Saturday.

Zamindar, a brother to Zafonic, the 1993 2,000 Guineas winner, was unbeaten in two starts and dwarfed his four rivals before the race. When Thierry Jarnet steered the 100-30 on favourite into the lead on the stand rail inside the first quarter-mile, all appeared to be going to plan.



Bahamian Bounty, left, withstands the renewed challenge of Zamindar in the Prix Morny at Deauville yesterday

Dettori tracked the favourite and made his challenge a furlong and a half out before heading Zamindar entering the final furlong. Although the André Fabre-trained and Khaled Abdulla-owned favourite railied inside the final 100 yards, Bahamian Bounty

Loder, whose horses were sick during the early part of the season, has hit form with a vengeance during the past week and Bahamian Bounty. a 45,000 guineas purchase at the Houghton Sales by Charlie Gordon-Watson for Edward St George, was his fifth victory in 72 hours.

Beaten on his debut by Grapeshot at Newmarket, Bahamian Bounty then won a small maiden at Yarmouth, so vesterday's race, won in recent years by Hector Protector, Arazi and Zafonic, represented a huge rise in class. "He is such a lovely horse.

with a tremendous tempera-

ment. He was coming off a maiden at Yarmouth and it was a calculated risk coming here, but I took the view that a group three race at this time of year is virtually the same as a group one in terms of opposition. I thought we might as well come here, especially as there were not going to be

many horses in opposition." Loder said. Dettori, who thrilled the spring-heeled leap from the saddle in the winner's enclo-sure, added: "We knew Baha-

mian Bounty had ability; we

just weren't sure how much. It has been a fantastic week." The face of Fabre can accurately be described as looking like thunder after the race, and he may well have been thinking that Jarnet should have forced a stronger early pace on Zamindar to burn off

his rivals. Grant Pritchard-Gordon. racing manager to Abdulla.

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Nap: I CANT REMEMBER (4.00 Windsor) Next best: Mentalasanythin

(3.45 Hamilton Park)

reflected: "You cannot be disappointed with being second. He was only beaten a neck and it is the first time he has seen another horse in a race. You could put it down to inexperience and, possibly, the rider could have made more use of him.

William Hill eased Zamindar from 6-1 to 8-1 joint favourite with the John Dunlop-trained Bahhare for next year's 2,000 Guineas, while Bahamian Bounty is 16-1. However, Coral took a stronger view and pushed out Zamindar to 14-1 from 8-1, with Bahhare 12-1 favourite.

HAMILTON PARK

2.15 Ultra Beet. 2.45 Return To Brighton. 3.15 Impulsive Air. 3.45 All la Fair. 4.15 Lyclus Touch. 4.45 Mentalasanythin.

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2.45 STARFORM SELLING HANDICAP

3.15 CAPTAIN J C STEWART MEMORIAL

HANDICAP (£3.838 1m 65yd) (9)

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Closure of racecourses may prove inevitable

in reincarnation and are ■ sufficiently forward thinking to consider your career options next time round, may I recommend returning as a taxi driver in Deauville. Despite advance warnings about their charges, I was not prepared for the cost of the fare covering my journey from the small airport at this chic French racing resort to a hotel on the outskirts of town - 550 francs for a trip of no more than ten miles. "Beware of the pickpockets," the driver said, straight faced, as I paid up.

However, their charges are a drop in the ocean compared to the wealth that oozes out of every hotel and restaurant at this time of year as anyone who is anyone in the world of racing descends upon Deauville. Maktoum Al Maktoum, complete with an array of private chefs. is ensconsed here along with his brothers from Dubai and

their retinue of advisers. Wafic Said, owner of Bosra Sham and Lady Carla, the 1.000 Guineas and Oaks winners, scans the yearlings on offer as he dreams of more classic success, while the Khaled Abdulia team casts an astute eye over the best lots in the sale which

began on Saturday evening. And then there are the Japanese, increasingly the dominant financial force in racing. On the pavement outside the popular Chez Miocque restaurant, a middle-aged man, dressed in blue linen jacket and cream trousers stops to chat with some acquaintances.

Teruya Yoshida probably enjoys as much clout in the mega-rich world of bloodstock as the Maktoums, Wafic Said and Khaled Abdulla put together. He recently splashed out a king's ransom on Pentire for his Shadai group. whose stallion farm in Japan already stands the likes of Dr Devious, Tony Bin, Hector Protector, White Muzzle and Sunday Silence.

in excellent English, he explains how Sunday Si-lence covers 150 mares a year at \$160,000 (£103,000) a time. The average price for 60 Sunday Silence yearlings owners on average recover sold recently was \$600,000, just 22 per cent of keep and

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Racing commentary

Dr Devious is not in such demand. He commands 100 mares a year at "just" \$25,000 a throw.

As he walks off into the night, the monopoly figures leave the British contingent shaking their heads in disbelief. However, the brief conversation underlined the dreadful underlying state of British racing's finances, highlighted in the British Horseracing Board's (BHB) pre-Budget submission to the Treasury last week.

Of course, it is easy to identify the reason for racing's lopsided balance book. The informal offer of an off-course Tote monopoly - supposedly by Rab Butler - was rejected by members of the Jockey Club more than 30 years ago, which paved the way for Messrs Ladbrokes. William Hill and Coral.

As a result, their shareholders benefit from estimated annual profits of around £150 million a year made from off-course betting whereas in most countries racing's coffers and keeps the sport on a sound financial footing. Hence the BHB statistics which showed the percentage of betting turnover returned to racing in Britain is 1.2 per cent, compared to 14.9 per cent in Germany, 8.9 per cent in the USA, 8.5 per cent in Japan

and 6 per cent in France. Similarly, while British

money, the return in other countries is much higher: 43 per cent in Germany, 49 per cent in France and 86 per cent in Japan. The profits from betting and the linked prize-money levels also enable the Japanese to buy the best bloodstock in Britain, which reduces the chance of the best horses being bred

here in the next century.

Rectifying the sorry financial state of British racing is not simple. No political party is going to nationalise offcourse betting, which rules out the possibility of an offcourse Tote monopoly. And yet how else will the sport gain the finance to enable it to compete fairly with other major racing nations?

The sense of frustration, felt particularly keenly by those new to racing politics, helps to explain the attack by Peter Savill on the BHB leaders, recorded in these columns last week. While Lord Wakeham, chairman of the BHB, is a wise owl and master of the art of the possible. Savill is a radical: a man with the zeal of a missionary, who does not mind stamping on people's feet. Lord Wakeham knows the type well having served at the right hand of Mrs Thatcher during her heyday.

ven if the BHB's sub-mission calling for betting duty to be cut to five per cent receives a favourable response from the Chancellor, the problems

will not be over.

One solution is for the Levy Board to concentrate most of its funds on fewer races and thereby significantly increase prize-money levels, rather than spreading the finance ever more thinly. Few people in racing, with the exception of David Oldrey, who is in charge of race planning, would object to a reduction in the amount of mediocre racing now

being staged. However, there is an unavoidable downside to a "twotier" sport. Some of Britain's 59 racecourses — maybe up to a dozen — would be forced out of business. This is the burning issue which Wakeham and everyone else in racing must confront in the

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4 0060 SAFEY ANA 17 (0.F.B) B Himbury 5-9-2 . J Stack 3
5 0352 DURMARER GOLF TIME 26 (V.SF.B) Lord Honlangton 3-8-11

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5-2 Fearless Caveller, 11-4 Chardysagne On Ice, 3-1 Hisavenly Miss, 4-1 Slappy Was A Kled, 9-2 Emilyid, 10-1 Lady Growton 12-1 others

6.40 GRAHAME GARDNER HANDICAP

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2	4340	POLLY GOLIGHTLY 12 (8.0.F.B) M Blanchold 3-9-8 T Quinn
		MALIBU MAN 25 (D.G) E Wheeler 4-9-8 T Sprake
		BANGLES 11 (D.F.G) Lord Huntingdon 6-9-4 D Harrison
5	0505	WINDRUSH BOY 11 (CO,F) J Booley 6-9-1 . Pat Eddery
6	3165	MARINO STREET 14 (V,CD,G) P Euro 3-9-0 . I F Euro
		BOFFY 11 (CD,G) B Baugh 3-8-9 long Warnets (7)
		THE INSTITUTE BOY 13 (D.B.S) Max J Craze 6-8-9 J Lowe
9	5636	BCORED AGAIN 10 (D.F.G.S) M Heston-Elles 6-8-7
		Amanda Sanders (5) 1
10	4000	FEATHERSTONE LANE 12 (V.D.BF.F.G) Miss L Sideal 5-8-2
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7-2 Matthu Mari 4-1 Langurot Lad, 9-2 Windruch Boy, 5-1 Basgles, 6-1 The Institute Boy, 7-1 Bothy 8-1 Nature Street 10-1 others

7.40 PEDIGREE PETFOODS CLAIMING HACE (3-Y-O. £2,690. 1m 11 218yd) (8)

1 0 THEATRE'S DREAM 16 J Banks 9-5
2 5322 DOMETTES 12 (P) 5 varieth 9-0
3 -004 CERVIDE 16 (G) 7 COLE 8-12
5 DISES SWEET ABORET 11 (G) F Howling 8-12
6 4 NAMINY-8-29 F Howling 8-6
1 4436 LITTLE KERRY 6 (V) M February 8-4
8 4008 MY KRID 9 (G) N Tarket 8-1
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8.10 CLECO HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,234: 1m 8yd) (10)

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2 1661 BANDIT GRB. 7 (CD.F.G.) Badding 9-7 (Sex)

3 3222 SHARP SHIFFLE 6 R Harnon 9-4

4 1225 SHARP SHIFFLE 6 R Harnon 9-4

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5 3031 FOREST FANTASY 10 (F) J Wharton 9-1

5 5612 EUROBOR, BOY 7 (D BF J A Larro: 8-4

7 0-90 TWICE FERMOVED 19 5 Dow 8-3

6 6605 HADADABBLE 3 7-8 Macrost 7-10

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10 000- BUANCA CAPPELLO 332 P Februar 7-10 3-1 Banda Gist, 7-2 Budby 4-1 Eurobox Boy 9-2 Forest Fankoy, Charp Shuffle, 5-1 Charp Monty, 10 1 Charp

COURSE SPECIALISTS

Naughton's hopes rise

HEVER GOLF ROSE delighted her trainer, Joe Naughton, yesterday as she completed her build-up to the Nunthorpe Stakes at York on Thursday. The trainer believes his mare "must have a great chance" in the five-furlong Group One contest after her traditional pre-race gallop on Epsom racecourse. Hever Golf Rose won eight times last year but has yet to strike this season. However, Naughton has been encouraged by her last two efforts, notably a close second to Rambling Bear in the King George Stakes.

RESULTS FROM YESTERDAY'S TWO MEETINGS 3.00 (8) 209yd) 1, Northern Sun /T Quint, 2-1 fav, Richard Evans's nap) 2, Fancy A Fortune (12-1) 3, Jacqyynte (3-1) 5 and 2-1, 2-1, 1 Muls, Tote 12-40 (1-80 62-40 DF 58-40 CSF 517-67

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Going: good to farm 2.15 (5) 1. A Breeze (k. Darley, 4-1) 2. Marylebone (5-1), 3. Gaele: Storm (20-1) Daring Pigh II -14 law 10 ran 29 1 2 D Morns Toler 64 90; 51 50, 51 50 53 60 DF 89 00 Tho. 5177 00 GSF 522 47 28 00 160, 2127 00 CSP 2222 2.45 (1m 48 yd) 1, Another Ouerier (W Ryen, 5.4 law), 2, Record Lover (6-1), 3 Cambella (33-1) 8 am 5 1 1 S Woods Tote 22.50, 21.10, 21.80, 27.00 DF 29.90 CSF £10 12, Winner sold for 6,100 grs 3.15 (6) 1 Formidable Ltz (F Darley, 9-1).
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Hammond Tote £11 10 £230, £260,
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3.45 (1m 4yd) 1. Awasamir (W Careon, 15-8 Inn); 2. Hawkskey Hill (5-2), 3. Maple Boy (20-11 11 ran NR Tact Of Silver 144 1141 J Goodon: Tote: 23 00; 21 70 £1 50. £3 10. DF: 44 30 Tro £24 50 USF £7 36 Trozet. 507 53

Moor Trail 5-4 fav. 7 ran. NRt. Karaylar. 21-5, 31-51 M. Tomplons. Tota. E11-10; E3.50, E2.70 DF E14-60 CSF E37.28 Treast-E334-33 4.45 (1m-lyd) 1 Glen Parker (W Ryan, 8-13 fax), 2, Mightly Koun (5-1) 3, White Hore (50-1) 9 ran, 71, 41 H Cecil Tote £1 70, £1 10, £1 50, £3 90 DF £2 30 Tino £27 00 CSF: £4 36

CSF 24.35 5.15 (SI) 1, Kira (O Pears, 3-1), 2, Oatoy (2-1 tay), 3, Ned's Bonanca (6-1), 13 ram, 14, 14-1 J. Eyre. Tote. (23.90° £1.60, £1.70, 22.50, DF, £3.30° Trao, £1.32.0, CSF £9.38 Tracast: £42.27° Sondonso, who finished third, was disqualited. Jackpot: not won (pool of £2,786.22 carried forward to Windsor loday). Placepot; £111.80. Quadpot; £18.40. Brighton

3.30 (Im. 8: 209)(d) 1 King Of Speria (O Urbina, 1-7 Iau), 2 Estamo Kiss (7-1) 3, Cawen Cottage (16-1) 3 (an. 11), 201 L Currant Tota £1 10 Er- £1 10 CSF £1 54

4.00 (7) 214(d) 1 Chanerais (G. Urbina, 100-30) 2. Rebel County (9-1) 3, Sylvan Pintosas (3-1) Caraba 9-4 (az 7 ran Hd, 11-4 L. Cumani Tate 350; 62.05, 64.00 DF: 634.00 CSF 629.54 DF-EM-00 CSF-E29 St.
4.30 (Im II 208yd) 1, Double Rush (T Quinn 94 fav), 2, Mister O Grady (6-1); 3, Mu Petita Anglaise (5-1) 8 nan NR Swect Allegamoe Hd 14 T MML Toto E3 30, E1 40, E1 00, E1 30, DF-E8 10 Tiro E5 40, CSF C14 83, Tincact E54 29 cor (1488 Inteat E5429 5.00 (5) 53yd) I, Prote Of Heyling (7 Custo 114) 2. Mellors (2-1 fax) 3. Hover Golf Express (5-1) 5 ran NR Tatanhus 31 (51 P Hedger Tote 53 70 51 70 51 10 DF 52 40 CSF £8 02 Placepot: £24.00. Quadpot: £6.70.

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HUSUN (H Al Maldoum) P Walnern 8-11

JOZA (* Safram) H Candy B-11

KARENY HAT (R 'S Scully) I Baiden 8-11

MARTINE 7 (Net M Curton) A Bailey 8-11

NOBLE STORY (Famy Surp Partner) R Alathurit 8-11

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The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 IMPULSIVE AIR. 2.15 STOATER APPRENTICES HANDICAP C Leather (5)
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(11) 0400 EJFE RACING 16 (F,G) N Tenkler 4-9-1. J Wassert
(11) 0400 EJFE RACING 16 (F,G) N Tenkler 4-9-1. J Charmoolt
(12) 0405 NEVER 50 TRIZE 14 (C,F) M Wans 5-9-12. J Charmoolt
(13) 0405 NEVER 50 TRIZE 14 (C,F) M Wans 5-9-12. J Carroll
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(15) 0506 MILL DATES 9 (G) 8 Mactagget 3-9-3. J Classes
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(B) 0260 NORDIC BREEZE 2 (V.F) A Bulley 49-13 P Roberts (5) 91

(1) 0160 BAPULSINE ARR 15 (D,F.G) E Weyme: 4-9-5 J Dunit 83

(5) 5350 SOOTY TERM 11 (CD,F.G.S) J Bradley 9-9-4 J Weaver 98

(6) 6160 NING CURAN 11 (B,CD,F.G.S) O Naydo Jones. 5-9-1

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(4) 2 PERICLES 23 M Johnston 9-0 J Weaver 90
(1) 0664 THE FOUR ISLES 38 D Hayds Jone 9-0 A Mackay 8-1
(5) 3 ALL IS FART 9-M Procount 4-9 G Duffield 188
(3) 0430 HONG KONG EXPRESS 23 J Beny 8-9 J Canol 94

4.15 MAC THE KNIFE CLAIMING STAKES (2-Y-0 \$2,549 61 5yd) (8) | (2-Y-U 127,095 b) 3y(0) (8) | 1 | 15) 2046 | 7M STRL HERE 100 J Beny 8-11 | P Roberts (5) | 97 | 11) 1604 LYCIUS TOUCH 23 (C.S) M Johnston 8 ft J Weaver 3 | 3 | (4) 4666 CARTSAYNOWT 30 R McVetta 8-6 | D McKeown - 4 | (6) 3345 CONTRAVENE 11 (F) J Beny 8-6 | D J Carroll 84 | (6) 3345 CONTRAVENE 11 (F) J Beny 8-6 | T Carroll 84 | K Carroll 94 | Carroll 95 | Carroll 96 | Carroll 97 2-1 Abrilane Doesn 3-1 Import, 4-1 Lycate Touch, 6-1 Scotmai Lass 7-1 Im Sulf Here 8-1 Contravene 10-1 others

4.45 scotland the rave handicap (£3,283' fm 4f 17yd) (8) (7) 2022 MENTALASANYTHIN 5 (CD,BF,F,G,S) D Haydin Jones

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3 (6) 2024 AMBDECTROUS 3 (F) E Alstan 4-9.5 P Roberts (5) 95
4 (2) 2336 LORD AMPOCATE 5 (B.C.D.F.G.S) D Notam 5-9-8
5 (1) 2003 CHIMA CASTLE 10 (G) P Hastam 3 3-7 F Sector (7) 86
6 (5) 1424 HERE COMES HERBE: 14 (D.F) W Steery 4-8-3 N Kennedy
7 (8) 0523 NOTHING DOING 21 (D.6) W Mussum 7-8-0 T Williams (8)
6 (1) 6005 JABARDOT 2 (D.F) R Misclar 5-7-10 Jerny Berson (7) 80
9-4 Mentalasanythin, 3 1 Nothing Doing, 7 2 Chana Castle, 9-2 Here Comes Herbey
6-1 Arribedolious 10-1 Lord Advocate, 12-1 others COURSE SPECIALISTS

125 20 US JOCKEYS: J Weaver, 40 warmers from 150 rades, 26 7%, it Coafey, 51 from 232, 72 0%, it Shed, 3 from 16, 18,8%, C Duffield, 20 from 109, 18 5%, J Fortune, 30 from 108, 18 5%, it Havdin, 9 from 49, 18 4%. T Williams, 11 from 65, 16 9%

TRANSERS: J Buckey, 5 miners from 16 numbers 27 8%, M Saouto, 3 kom 11 27 3%, M Freezood, 10 knm 37 27 0%; S Refilered). 9 kom 36, 25 0%, Mrs M Roveley, 33 kom 153, 21 6%, P Haclam, 25 kom 155, 20 0%.

Blinkered first time LECESTER: 7 10 Formidable Partner PLUMPTON: 6 55 Gone By. WINDSOR: 3 00 Llyswort Propent Arms.

Ironman fancies another quick dip before closing-time

David Powell on the

men who swim, cycle.

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run a marathon and

then swim some more

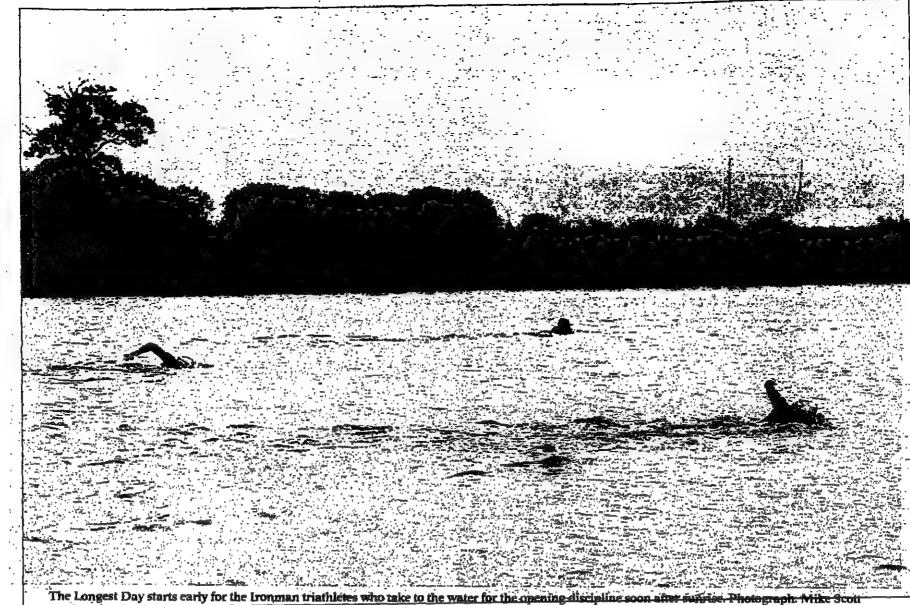
t was called the Longest Day triathlon and, as if swimming 124 miles, cycling 112 miles. aid running a marathon, all without a break, were not enough. you had to be up before barn to do i. The winner was still not satisfied, however, as he lay on the physiotherapist's couch straight ifter the race, and said that he was considering not staying for the 3pm prize-giving. He wanted to get nome for a club evening swim.

Those assembled at Gailey Reservoir, near Cannock, at daybreak yesterday, were there for Britain's only fromman triathlon of the year. Although 350 triathlons are held annually in Great Britain, most are at distances up to one third of the Ironman. Yet, in 1995, this was named the British Triathlon Assuciation's (BTA) race of the year.

One competitor arrived at the reservoir at 3.30am, just to make sure he did not miss the start. Who can blame him after paying £90 to enter? But the last few minutes before the off were not without a panie scene or two.

One sensed that Keith Scrivener thought his money might be wisted when he approached the witer's edge sheepishly not wearing the obligatory bathing cap beiring his number: "I left it behind, my wife's gone to get it," hesaid, pleading. All that training and you forget your hat. In he wint, capless, and no one objected. Philip Cheek almost missed the start when his wetsuit split as the apletes were walking down to the Ater. Fortunately for him, Allen McDougal, one of the race directors, had a spare one and a quick change solved the problem.

Already weary from the swim and ride, the athletes had to take to tle road for a marathon on an afternoon when the temperature paked at 94F. Yesterday's race vas modelled on the original



1978 and responsible for making the sport popular, not only were the distances replicated but so was the weather.

However, conditions proved ideal for Martin Foster, a chartered surveyor from Eltham, southeast London, who had spent a month in the south of France, near Avignon,

preparing for this challenge in weather identical to that now scorching Britain. Foster, 30, led from start to finish, setting a course record of 8hr 45min Oosec, a commendable performance in such heat and within half an hour of Julian Jenkinson's British

Foster is of a good club standard at swimming, cycling and running and puts the three together to considerable effect. He won a silver medal in the butterfly at the Surrey championships this year, is a category two rider, and set a personal best in the marathon of 2hr 36min when finishing runnerup in the 1995 Taunton race. Last year he was twelfth in the European Ironman championship.

Showing rare discipline, Foster combines his heavy training programme with a 50-hour working week, thankful that his employer is flexible about time off. "I am

boss is very understanding."

Chris Ray, seeking a hat-trick of victories in this event, spent more than eight hours chasing Foster yesterday but never moved close enough to pose a threat. While Foster was expected to win the swim, Ray was known to be the

stronger cyclist, perhaps capable of closing the Smin 2lsec gap between them out of the water. He reduced it only to 5:41 after nearly five hours of riding. On the marathon, Foster extended his

winning margin to 27 minutes. In his only previous appearance at this event in 1994. Foster finished runner-up to Ray. Now he took not only Ray's title but his course record, which had stood at 8:48:25. Ray, a corporal in the Royal Marines, has, like Foster, a flexible employer and trained fulltime for ten weeks in preparation for yesterday's ordeal. "I think the triathlon image suits the Ma-rines." Carol, his wife and a development officer for the BTA.

Tough though he is. Ray knew he could not leave for the mara-

'Tough though he is, Ray knew he could not leave for the marathon without his water

hon without his water. It was one of the more bizarre sights of the day, watching Ray, who found his drinks bottle empty, pouring cups of water from a feeding station into his container, losing valuable time

Among those who failed to finish was Nicky Farrugia, who once spent 30 hours swimming from Sicily to Malta. His swimming was fine, but the running proved too much. Others, such as Paul Boshell

chowing they would be out on the marathon course for most of a blazing hot afternoon, covered themselves in suntan cream before leaving the transition tent. For a few, the Longest Day did not end until 9.30pm, the deadline for finishing. By then, Foster, provided that he made it to his local pool, still had half an hour to swim before closing-time.

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Guilt trip grows as the day of sailing approaches

Southampson next month, when the fleet of 67-foot Global Challenge yachts under the guidance

of professional skippers,
THE TIMES sets sail for Rio de Janiero
the prevolung whats and at the start of a 20000

SIXTY thousand screaming teenage pop fans on Clapham duty. As a sergeant in the Metropolian police mounted branch, it was a normal day to me, except that I was aware that any incident could disrupt my plans for the next year. Next month, I set sail as a crew member on Ocean Rover, one of 14 yachts racing around he world on the BT Global Challenge. Any recall from my year off to attend court or an inquiry would have led to huge problems.

However, the event went off without a hitch, and it was with a spring in my step that a few days later I left the stable at Wandsworth police station. free from any such worries. It is ironic that I have spent the past 2t years wearing a uniform and now, when I have the opportunity to throw it off for a vhile, it is replaced by another, albeit the colourful WHEN Chay Blyth an-nounced the BT Global Challenge two years ago. he had 6,000 applicants for 165 places on the 1996 fleet. each of which cost the successful entrant £18,750. The Times reserved two berths - one for a man and one for a woman and offered bursaries towards their costs and the chance to write about their experiences in the paper.

Readers were asked to submit an essay on why they wanted to take part in a tough yacht race against

harlequin kit of the Ocean Rover team. I believe the reason it is called the "world's toughest yacht race" has as much to do with the task of sorting out your home life as it has to do with sailing. While all the

who should fill the berths. problem of leaving behind a young family - Stephen. ten. and Christopher. seven. If that is not difficult enough. when I sail from Southampton, my wife. Tracey, will be only two weeks away from giving birth to our third child. As I cannot afford to fly

home from Rio de Janeiro, the

currents. Anyone aged be-

tween 21 and 60 was eli-

gible. From 2,687 entrants.

12 were selected for a

training weekend to decide

first stop en route, I will have to wait until January 1997 to see the baby, when the family have planned to meet me on the second stopover in Wellington, New Zealand.

James Capstick, a 37-year-

old Metropolitan police

officer, and Lucy Duncan,

a 36-year-old Buckingham-

shire midwife, were chosen.

The race starts from Southampton next month.

adventure, which will take

the crews round Cape Horn

and across the dangerous

Southern Ocean. The

Challenge ends at

Southampton in June 1997.

The guilt of leaving at such a time is still there and, although I have tremendous support from my wife and around the world. People who hear my story rightly consider that all the credit thus far should go to Tracey. Our two boys are starting to

realise the enormity of losing their father for a long time and, although they have become used to me being away for a week or so at a time when I am sailing, Christopher has already started to get quite clingy and Stephen is becoming a bit bossy with his brother and mother. While I'm away he will be the little man of the house, but I can imagine a battle of wills over the next year between Stephen and his mother - not to mention the effect of my

return. As a crew, the Ocean Rover team have only been together since January and we are still getting to know each other. We have been training and practising hard (especially for

Southampton, Some of the crew have already become infamous for actions both on and off the boat with the very conspicuous Ocean Rover kit always very much

With only weeks to go until the off, my brain is going into overdrive, especially as Tracey has announced that, with a new baby, we will have to move house, so we might as well do it before i go. Ali i have to do is say whether I agree with her choice and she will do the rest. Finding the money will be a good trick.

At least my dilemma as to what to take in the way of kit on the boat has been resolved for me. Paul Bennett, the Ocean Rover skipper, told us that each of the crew can only take 14 items of clothing with them, and that a pair of socks counts as two items. Cheers Paul. Still, if you can't take a the stopovers), and have had joke, you shouldn't have several bonding sessions in joined.

6.55 LONDON RACINE CLUB HANDICAP HURDLE

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COURSE SPECIALISTS

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7.25 TRANS WORLD EXHIBITIONS NOVICES

HANDICAP CHASE (£3,045-3m 1f 110yd) (3)

2-9 Wald, 4-1 Jummy The Jackston, 20-1 Presidual

(£2,343· 2m 4f) (4)

7.55 BUXTED NOVICES HURDLE

CYCLING

Sciandri's mistake is decisive

By Peter Bryan

A MOMENT'S hesitation cost Max Sciandri dearly in the Leeds Classic yesterday. The Briton was bidding to become the first rider to defend a previous year's World Cup victory when he mis-timed his effort in a two-man sprint in the last 100 metres of the 231 kilometres race. It cost him the win he wanted most after the Olympic Games and, ironically, was almost a replay of last month's road race finish in Atlanta, when he had to settle for a bronze medal behind Pascal Richard and Rolf

Yesterday, it was Andrea Ferrigato, of Italy, who came between the winning line and Sciandri, launching his decisive attack when he switched from the right to the left hand side of the finishing straight to win by Isec. Perhaps Sciandri's frustration then got the better of him. for, after the race, he was missing from the

Sorensen.

podium for the presentations and was "fined" ten of the 35 World Cup points he had gained as runner-up and also SFr2,000 (about £1,100).

Earlier, on a demanding course, Sciandri led a sixstrong breakaway group with Lance Armstrong, his Motorola team colleague, less than 50 kilometres from the finish and with only modest climbs remaining. They took it in turns to wear down their companions, until, with 20 kilometres left. Sciandri made his break, with only Ferrigato going with him. With the line in sight, the pair had a lead of 50sec, time enough for a spell of freewheeling while they jockeyed for position. However, the short sprint did not favour Sciandri, leaving him with no hope of overhauling his rival.

Johan Museeuw, of Belgium, led in the chasers to finish third, 5sec ahead of Armstrong, and increase his overall lead in the II-race competition, which ends in

IN BRIEF **Davenport**

ends Graf's dominance LINDSAY DAVENPORT.

the Olympic champion, beat Steffi Graf 6-3, 6-3 to reach the final of the Acura Classic at Manhattan Beach, California. It was Davenport's first victory over the world No i after four defeats in which she had won just one set.

Davenport, the world No 10, will meet Anke Huber. of Germany, the No 2 seed. who beat Karina Habsudova, of Slovakia, 7-6, 6-3 in the other semi-final.

Criville edges it

Motorcycling: Alex Criville. of Spain, snatched victory from team-mate Michael Doohan in the final second of the Czech 500cc grand prix in Brno yesterday in a repeat of his upset win in Austria two weeks ago. Criville beat Doohan in a photo-finish to win by two-thousandths of a second, the closest ever winning margin in a 500cc race.

Braisher wins

Shooting: Neil Braisher, an engineer from Chichester. won the Earl Roberts trophy and British prone smallbore rifle championship for a fourth time at Bisley on Saturday. Braisher scored 779, with Michael Babb of Appleton, Cheshire, second

England double

Lacrosse: England had a double triumph when the men defeated the Czech Republic 9-5 and the women beat Wales 3-2 to become European champions at the finals in Düsseldorf on Saturday.

Local knowledge

Motorcycling: Niall Mac-kenzie increased his lead in the Motor Cycle News British superbike championship with . a double victory in the sixth round at his local Knockhill

RESULTS FROM SATURDAY'S SIX RACE MEETINGS

crew have to get their affairs in order. I have the added

Newbury

Going good
2.00 (7 64yd) 1, Gool Edge (P Robinson, 6-1), 1. Add (12-1); 3, The genon, (6-1), 44d (12-1); 3, The genon, (6-1), 44d (12-1); 3, The genon, (6-1), 6-1), 15-10

2.30 (5f. 34yd) 1, Head Over Heals (1, Detro, 7-2 fav), 2, Olympic Spril (4-1); 3, Ouem Sceptre (6-1) 9 ran Shihd, 2% J Gosren Toter £3.20, £1.30, £1.80, £2.00 DF-17.20 Trio: £8.10, CSF-£16.36 DF-17-20 (no 28.10, Car 210-30 3.00 (1m ± 61/d) 1, Phantom Gold (L Defini 6-11, 2, Posidonas (10-11 tav), 3 Sony O1 Tara (4-11, 7 ran 3×4, hd. Lord Hunngdon Tote 26-40, © 30, £150 DF: 4-50 CSF £11-65 After a stewards

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4.01 (71 64yd) 1. Double Gold, (Martin Dwer, 6-1), 2. Sheer Face (9-2); 3 Mister Pro (4-1 law) 11 ren NR Smart Boy 11-1, VI B Meehan, Tote: C7 40; 61-80, 62-0 C1 (0, DF 518 00, Trio: \$18.30 CSF C3 (03 Trocas: \$113.24 4.35 (1m 41 5yd) 1, Willie Conquer (Paul Edderv, 94) 2 Silently (11-2) 3 Nuzu (64) Eagle Camyon 7-4 (av 5 ran V-1, 2) R Alchurst Tote £2.50; £1.50 £2.40 DF £67 (CSF) £13.06.

2678 CSF 213.00, 16 Jorious Aragon († Osnn. 14-1) 2. Sea-Deér (2-1 fav), 3. Buan Rose (14-1) 13 ran 3; sh hd R Johnson Houghton Tote £17.50 £2.60, 2-50, £3.80, DF £3.20 Trio £135.00, CSF £41.53 Tricast £404.95

Jackpot £48,897 90. Pacifipot: £24 80. Quadpot: £5.30.

Great (9-1), 2 Ragtime Cowgrt (8-1), 4, Table Tyrant (12-1) Yuppy Sart 5-2 fav. 18 ran NR Clued Up. 2.45 1, Just Visiting (3-1, Private Handi-capper's top rating), 2, Mujova (9-1), 3, Muni-n (5-4 ray), 7 rati 3.16 1, Sugar Mill (14-1), 2 Wair (7-1), 3 South Sea But ble 15-4 lavy 9 ran IVR Cumbran Rhapsody

3.45 1, Samwar (15-2), 2 Options Cren (10-11, 3, Farlasy Recorg (20-1), 4 Bolshoi (9-1) Bolsh Joanne 100-30 lay 17 4,15 1, Ninis (12-1) 2, Sandmoor Chambas (12-1) 3 Sollin Frank (10-1) 4, Ron's Secret (7-2 lav) 17 (an 4,50 1 Barranak (9-4 (I-lay) 2 Memiy (9-4 (I-lay); 3, River Terri (11-2), 12 (an

Lingfield Park 5.15 1, Fairly Sure (9-1), 2, Just Harry (8-1), 3, Super Park (14-1) Our Shadee 4-1 lay 15 ran NR Super Hero 545 1. Rumbustious (816 fast 2 Unknown Territory (6-1), 3, Hever Golf Stormer (4-1) 4 ran NR Reiolo 6.15 1. Bakers Daughter (13-8 tax) 2 Drubbind (6-1), 3 Miss Haversham (33-1) 10 ran.

6.45 1, Designer Lines (25-1), 2. Diamond Beach (13-8), 3, Samorelle (35-1), Altantic Storm 6-4 tay, 9 ran 7.15 1, Old School House (4-1) 2 Mighly Phantom (7-2) 3 Paradise Navy (2-1 fav) o ren 7 45 1 Arkakos (3-1), 2, Full Throntle (7-1) 3 Passing Straugers (5-1) (1-lav) Two Socks 3-1 (1-lav) 8 ran

Wolverhampton 7.00 1, Mudflap (100-30) 2 Dream Of Nurms (11-8 lat.), 3 Slouvrouge (9-4) 9

RIPON
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(14-1) 8 ran NR Hevel Golf Diamond

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2.25 1 Belmoral Princess (6-1) 2, Still Here (9-2) 3 Rocall To Mind (60-1) Friendly Creams 2-1 lay 9 ran 2.55 1 Green's Seago (7-2) 2 Exclusion (2-1 tay) 3 Sherwood Boy (5-2) 5 tan 3 25 1 Algarrawean (4-7 lav) 2 ran 3.55 (, Royal Circus (3-1), 2. Bourdonne (8-11 fav.), 3, Gone By (4-1), 4 ran 4.25 1 Tukano (Evens favi, 2 Profit And Loss (11-6); 3 First Bee (35-1) 5 ran 5.00 1 Raven's Roost (16-1), 2. Tawatij 15-4 (av.) 3 Count Of Flanders (3-1) 6 ran

Stratford 2.20 1 Vierdot (9-4 fav) 2 Acrow Line (6-1), 3 Riva's Book (14-1) 9 ran 1/R 2.50 1 Maple Dancer (7-4 lav) 2, Some Day Soon (13-2) 3 Sohall (5-1) 6 ran

3 20 1 Zine Lane (4-9 Javi 2, kulan i33-1) 3 Dante-in (12-1) 10 ran 3.50 1 Wynberg (4-11 lav) 2 Roskeer Endge (7-2), 3, Hatta River (11-1) i 6 ran 4.20 1, Stately Home (4-5 law 2: Flying Zied (4-1): 3 Wise Advice (5-2), 3 ran NR David Of Thunder Full O Praise 4.55 1: Peter Monamy (11-10 fav), 2: Smalmar (5-4): 3 Asiena (6-2): 3 ran. 5.25 1 Le Roi (5-2) 2. Anabranch (Eveno lov) 3 Minnesote Fals (14-1) 3 ran

- PLUMPTON

THUNDERER 5.30 Misty View. 5.55 Home Cookin'. 6.25 Noblely 6.55 Celestial Fire. 7.25 Wakt. 7.55 Kama Simba.

GOING, GOOD TO FIRM

5.30 PEACEHAVEN MARES ONLY NOVICES (£2,238: 2m 1f) (5 runners)

1 3-22 SCAMALLACH 60 (B) J Sewant 6-12-0 G Bradley
2 F: MISTY VIEW 7F J Winter 7-11-1 A P McCoy
3 060- CLUB ELITE 13F M Barnatologis 4-10-13 A M Stokel
4 FP-0 SESTA TIME 13F C Popisan 6-10-0 Williamson
5 0053 LASER LIGHT LADY 6 (B) N Litmoden 4-10-0
B Provide 4-6 Scenarlach 4-1 Misty View 6-1 Laser Eight Lidy, 7-1 Chib Elile 14-1 Sissio

5.55 LEICESTER DYERS AND RIP-OFF CLOTHING COMPANY JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (£2,259: 2m 1f) (5)

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J Rudon
G Braziley
D Gaffagher
D Bridgwaler 2-1 Home Cookin', 5-2 Verulam, 3-1 Again Together, 7-2 Blight Eclipse, 25-1 Governor 5 Rig

6.25 DR BERNARD ABEYSUNDERA HANDICAP CHASE (£2,906 2m) (4)

1 1222 NOBLELY 6 (D.BF.F.G.5) N Waker 9-11-10 R Farrard
2 06-1 SAFETY 10 (B.CD.F.G.) 1 Waker 9-11-0 T J Muprhy
3 -66U VICTORY ANTHEM 10 (C.D.F.G.) P Clarks 10-10-0 B Fenton 4 OP-U LAVALIGHT 10 (F) J Didoses 9-10-0 . . Evens Salety 6-4 Nobicly 7-1 Victory Anthem, 12-1 Lavalight

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5-4 Shalik, 6-4 kama Simba, 9-2 Lac de Gras, 16-1 Brigadior Supreme

☐ Snow Princess, a 10-1 chance with Ladbrokes for the Ebor, is "most unlikely to run", according to her trainer, Lord Huntingdon. The fast ground at York is thought unlikely to suit the filly, who is more likely to take in a listed race in Ireland instead.

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LEAMINGTON SPA: Women's World chempionships: Play-offs: Singleur. Final: C Anderson (Norfolk Ireland) by W Lune (Eng) 25-9. Third place: J Lundones (Scot) by R Jonos (Walas) 25-4. Fifth: M Johnston (frei bit W Fong (Aus.) 25-17. Saventhir: South Africe (J Peacock) bt Botevane (B Anderson) 25-16. Ninth: Fif. (L. Thosave) bt Guernsey (A Simon) 25-22. 11th: Swazaizard (L James) bt Zambla (M Like) 25-19. 13th: New Zealand (J Hower) bt Canada (A Nivela) 25-19. 13th: Jersey (V Stead) bt Melaysia (N Ismai) 25-18. 17th: Zimbabwe (C Howard-Williams) bt Hong Kong (A Chai) 25-15. 18th: Papua New Gurnes (L Koluk) bt Israel (M Swerdlow) 25-20. 21st: Cook, Islands (D Panienn) bt Wastern Samoa (M Porter) 25-17. 23rd: Singapore (R Perena) bt Nambia (J Joubent) 25-15. 25th: Span (D News) bt Kenya (M Burns) 25-17. Fours: Final: Australia (G Baric, M Peddell, M Surmer, D Shamy in South Africe (M Ellis, B Redshaw, L Tingwell, H Bekker) 18-15. Third place: England (N Shaw and J Baker, G Fitzgerald, M Proe) bt New Zealand (M Ivan, E Prattley, M Wasson, M Castle) 24-21. Fifth: Scotland (M Letham, J Forrest, D Forsyth, S Gourley) bt Wester, A Suffred, D Forsyth, S Gourley) bt Wester, B Samo, H Teylor and P Nolen) bt Norfolk Island 34-10. 19th: Hong Kong bi Namibla 21-14. 21st. Guernsey (J Simon, J Merel, S Paul and J Micolle) bt Singaporo 25-21. 23rd: United Sulsas bt India 26-16. 25th: Western Samoa bt Kenya 16-15 BOXING NATIONAL LEAGUE: Fridey: Houston 6 Chicago 3, Colorado 8 Cinchriett 4, San Francisco 6 Philadelphia 4: Atlenta 5 Prissburgh 4 Sen Diego 15 New York 10, St Lours 6 Florida 2, Los Angeles B-Montreal 2 Setunday 3; Louis 4 Florida 3 Chicago 12 Houston 3, Chicanas 5 Colorado 3 (1st garre): Carcament 8 Colorado 5 (2nd), San Francisco 8 Philadelphia 4, Atlanta 7 Pitsburgh 1; New York 7 San Diego 3; Los Angeles 7 Montreal 6 LAKE TAHOE, Nevede: Vacant World Bording Council Continental Americas junto-lighteelight chemploniship 112 mds: Jorge Pass (Mex) bt Nancco Valenzueta (Mex) ko 3rd MIAMI: World Bosing Council Central American-Certibbeen bantanweight championship (12mds); Cusurilemoc Gomez (Mex. holder) bi Angel Rosano (P Rico) pis

ALBUQUEROUE. New Maxico: World Boring Organisation purior-berdarraweight championship (12mds). Johnny Tapas (Max. holder) bt Hogo Soto (Arg) pts. BUENOS AIRES. World Boding Federation junior-welterweight championship (12mds). Fearlus Randell (US) bt Martin Coggi (Arg. holder) pts. CYCLING

TOUR OF PORTUGAL: Thirteenth stage: (145 f/km, Monchque to Loule): 1, A Sarbor (Fluss) 3fr 1/km 37/sec. 2, F Colonna (ti): 3, S Toutenhorg (Ger) all same time 4, P Shee (Por) at 4: 5, T Hamilton (US) same lame, 6, F ringo (ti) at 6 Final stage (38 f/km hm-trel, Loule): 1, M Left (ti) 4/km 4/8sec. 2, V Gamto (Por) at 21/sec; 3, M Ahrau (Por) at 11/sec; 3, M Ahrau (Por) 3, 11/sec; 3, Cornes 5 (15); 3, Sachedo (Por) 3, 12, 4, Gornes 5 (15); 5, J Achedo (Por) 9, 17, 6, J Samparo (Por) 9, 24

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ROAD RACES: Leada: International Classic (231km, seventh round) 1, A Fernyato (ft, Rosiotto-25 Mobit) 5tr 43tm 13sec, 2, M Sciandri (GB) at 1sec, 3, Museauw (Bel) 20, 4, L Armstrong (JS), 5, M Bartol (ft), 6, D Rebellm (ft) both same time Leading World Cup positions: 1, J Museauw (Bel, Mapel) 137pts, 2, S Zamm (ft) 86: 3, M Bartol (ft), 72: 4, A Contcheristor (Pusa) 67, 5, F Baldatol (ft) 65: 6, A Fernjano (ft) 62 Selected: 10, Spandri 55 BCF mational under-16 championship (Martocolle, Hampehire, 95m), 1, P Manning (North Wirral Velo) 4trs (2trm) 58ec; 2, D Autord (Team Energy) at 1-11; 3, S Hagnis (CC Gro) at 338, BCF national under-16 championship (Morthy Moor, Darbyshie, 21tr); 1, 3Taylor (Woolwich CC) 47-58, 2, R Rees (Cardirl Ajax CC); 3, M Kally (Mars RC) all sume time Warssheck CC (Morpeth, Northumbertand, Szm), 1, N Walbank (Sunderland Clanon) 201-00, 2, 1 Bartholomew (Harriepool CC) at 7ee. 1 TME TRIALS: North London CC (Baidock, 1005).

Barmotomew Hardepool CC.) as are unite. 3. D Metcalle (Harriepool CC.) at 7sec.

TIME TRIALS: North London CC (Baidock, 50m): 1, N Gales (Ractord Accourtaints) 1,45:53 (event record); 2, M Adams (Ving s. Lynn CC) 1:50:48: 3, D Walker (Streiford Wheelers) 15:110, Team: St Ives CC 6:18:28 Dunder Wheelers; 150m); 1, J Cuslob (GS Moderna) 1:5:114; 3, G Harris (Angus CC) 1:54:15 Chellercharm and County CC; 50m); 1, P Mayer (Chelborham and County CC) 1:56:26; 2, G Fouracre (Mendip CC) 1:58:56; 3, k Wood (Pursley RD); 201:30

Team: Cheltercharm and County CC 6:08:37 Cheelercharm and County CC 6:08:37 Cheelercharm and County CC CR. Chellercharm CC 2:45:55; Hercidon Wheelersin G:18:8, 2, A Winterbottom (Wellington Wheelers) 6:318; 3, S Bassford (Mid-Devon CC) 5:4:35 Team: Mid-Dovon CC 2:45:55; Hercidony CRC (Treycross, Laicastershire, 25m); 1, R Prebble (Wenbers) 19:59:3, 3, G Platts (Coalville Wheelers) 5:4:20, Team: Coelville Wheelers; 5:4:20, Team: Coelville Wheelers;

256-68 Leek CC (Stone, Stationishire, 25 mil 1, G Phomas (Fearm Ambrosia) 53-40, 2 47 76, 3, Tou clear 53,68 **GOLF**

2:96-88 Leek CC (Stone, Stationdshire, 25 m) 1, G Thomas (Fearm Ambrostals 33: 0, 2 M Lovalt (Optimum Performance RC) 54:22, 3, S Hutme (Freetouri-Pace) 54:54 Fulfarton Wheelers (Hysthre, 25 m), 1, 2 Gordwelt (Edinburgh BC) 54:26 (course record), 2, S Dult (Johnstone Wheelers) 55:38, 3, D Nicholson (Thistle RC) 56:15 Trents: Fulfarton Wheelers, 3:700.54 West London CA (Marbox, 25 m), 1, E Adlinis (Ayldesbury CC) 54:32, 2, A Barrett (Swan Velo) 56:15; 3, M Bowen (Donoran CC) 56:18 Tearn: Charlotteville CC 2:52:31 Eastbourne Riovers CC (25:m); 1, P Woodman (Fearm 2000) 56:17, 2, M Merchant (GS Stella) 56:23, 3, S Woodbridge (Brighton Excelsion) 56:48.

TRACIC SCU Feetwel GP sprint Bleedowbank Edinburgh; 1, C Macken (City of Edinburgh RC) 2, P Jacques (City of Edinburgh RC); 3, A McMath (Hamy Hall Cycles), BCF sprinters' league (overall), 1, P Jacques 27 pts: 2, B Darley (Scurthorpe Polyrechnic) 23, 3, A McMath 19

EQUESTRIANISM HICKSTEAD: Derby meeting: Silk Cut Derby: 1, Loro Pena Vivaldi (N Pessoa, Bri

4 faults, 2, Gammon (M. Whitakor GB), Sagraf (G. Gooson, GB), Degma (N. Roben, Fr) In N. Salton, GB), Filbaha (J. Ledinghart, Ive), Yorkhire Gen (S. Bouen, GB) at 8 faults, SIII, Cut Trophy; 1, Thirty Something (D. McPherson, SA) clee 47 (70 sec. 2, Elion (M. Whitaker, GB) clee 47 (6, 3, Townhead Gamberdo (A. Belt, GB) cleen (5.40).

71, 72, 69, G Clark (GB) 69, 72, 69, 69
CASTLE ROCK, Colorado: Sprint International: Tried-round points (US uriless stated, Morded Stablelord scoring system); 24; B Fapon 66/12, 23; M Bradley 9/9/11, 22; R Freeman 13/5/4 21; C Rose 6/3/12; P Goylos 2/10/9, J Cook, 10/8/3 20; B Tretty 7/2/11, 18; A Magee 2/8/9, T Lehman 7/4/8; P Matselson 5/9/5, B Andrade 7/9/3 18; N Fakto (GB) 6/40, k Peny 11/0/7, J Leonard 6/8/5, W Austin 10/5/4/; D A Webbrng 4/7/12, 17; J Galacher 13/-2/6, P 4J Johansson (Swe) 2/6/9 16; M Brooks 4/10/10; S. Nagerson 8/5/3, E Bs (SA) 19/96, R Mechalic 6/5/5, J Funyt 3/4/9; S Lowery 7/12/4 Selected roin questions: 12: G Norman (Aust 7/4/1 9; S Lyle (CB) 1/6/2

(GB) 1/6/2 SLALEY HALL, Northumberland, North-em Electric Senions: Leading second round scores (GB and its unless stated) 134: T Horton 67, 67 139: N Radolfile (Aus.) 70, 99: 141. B Verwey (SA) 72, 69: C Evans. (Us) 73, 69: 142- K olambo (Spi. 68, 74, N Coles 73, 69: O Datzel (US) 74, 66: 143: M Gregson 74: 68: R Father 75, 68, V Tsrabalata (SA) 74, 69: 144: D Creams 73, 71: 145: B Weiter 73, 72.

GLIDING LASHAM, Heritordshive: National Junior Championshipse: First day (308/m quad Birdlip, Northampton, Goring, 18 completions of 321 1. A Darlington (ASN/24) 100 Steph, 100 obs 2, D Alson (ASS) 967, 968, 3, O Ward (Discus) 84 3, 864, 4, J Rebiteck (LS4) 859, 836 5, H Rebiteck (Discus) 80 1 829; 6, P Masson (Discus) 79 4, 823 7, 7, S Miller-Smith ("Grob Acro) 68,5kph and L Wells (LS9) 75 4, 789 Second day (241km quad, Gångham, Brastland on Ason, Goring, 20 completions of 32) 1, Alson 79 Ohjon, 100 opts, 2, Ward 76,4 967 3, Darlington 74 0, 396; 4 H Ribbbod and P Masson 72 0, 910, 6, J Rebitech 6931, 863, 7, Wells 799, 8 862, Leading overall positions: 1, Allson 1968pts; 2, Darlington 1936; 3, Ward 1831;

4 H Rebook 1739 5, P.Ma.son 1733 6, J. Rebbeck 1718, 7 Wells 1671 LACROSSE

DÚSSELDORF: European Champ-tenship: Men: Final: Endland 9 Cacch Republic 5 pley-olfs: Third place. Scol-land IO Wales : Fifth: Sweden 9 Germany 2 Women: Final: England 3 Wales 2 Third: Scofland 7 Cacch Republic 6 Filth: Germany A 15 Germany B I

MOTORCYCLING

BRNO: Creech Grand Proc Leading standings: 500cc (22 laps, 118.866 km) 1. A Covide (50 hondal 45 and 38.84 sec. 2. M Dooftan (Fas. Hondal 45 and 38.84 sec. 2. M Dooftan (Fas. Hondal 45 and 38.85 a. 3. Stazelli (U.S. Suzuln) 45 41.754 d. F. Roberts Int (U.S. Suzuln) 45 45 63.7 d. J. H. Bayle (Fr. Lamahan 45 47.776 2. C. Checa (50 Hondal) 45 42 0.22 g. A. Bancs (Bt. Hondal) 45 52 218, 10. S. Itoh (Japan Hondal) 45 52 218, 10. S. Itoh (Japan Hondal) 45 52 60 Fastest lap: Criville 2.02 201 (158 406 (ph. unomean new tack-record Leading (World champsomship positions), 1. Dooftan 23 (pt. 2. Criville 2.02 201 (Ladiora (It. Hondal) 126 d. Bancs 118 5 N Abe (Japan, termshal) 115 d. Russell (U.S. 112 250cc (20 laps. 106min 1. M Bagg) 8, Aprillay 42 min 19 509sec 2. O. Jacque (Fr. Hondal 42.25 410, 3. F. Waldmann (Ger. Hondal 42.26 2006. S. J. Fuchs (Ger. Hondal 42.16 47 f. Suder (Sext. Aprilla) 42 57 478 8, t. D. Antin (Sp. Hondal 42.57 818, 9. T. Hoarrate (Japan, Hondal) 42.57 927 10. R. Locatelli (It. Annital 42.58 011 Fastest tops. Baggi 2.06 057 (19 laps. 60mins) 1. V. Rossi (It. Hondal 42.16 42.99 oc. 2. Martinez (Sp. Aprilla) 42 18 652 5. E. Atzamora (Sp. Hondal 42.18 670 7 P. Oesti (Ger. Aprilla) 42 18 653 6. H. Acku (Lapan Hondal 42.18 670 7 P. Oesti (Ger. Aprilla) 42 18 675 6. H. Acku (Lapan Aprilla) 42 67 88 9 1 Go. (It. Hondal 42.38 453 (D. D. Raudes (Ger. Hondal 42.38 676 Fastest lapt Martinez 2.11 816 Leading world champsonship (Egipth round) First racer (1. Aprilla) 125 4, S. Perugni (It. Aprilla) 125 4, S. Perugni (It.

SENTUL, Indonesia: World superbille championship (Egith round) First racer 1.

J Pocnish (US, Ducais) 37mm 18 525sec (areage speed 169 413 teht), 2. C Fogarty (58. Hondar) 37 21 934 3, 4. Sight (Nz, Hondar) 37 28 267 4. P. Chili III. Ducais) 37 32 266, 5. C Edwards (US, Famaha) 37 38 693 Fastest lagr Fogarty 1:28 942 (13h lagr Second racer 1, J Poonati 37 10 199, 2. A. Sight 37 14 854 3. C Fogarty 37 15 417 4. C. Edwards 37 21 413. S. T. Corser (Ass. Ducat) 37 28 394 Fastest lagr Fogarty 1:28 53 (5th tap) Leading World championship standings: 1, Sight 2570ts, 2. Corser 250

NNOCIONILL: British superbake championship (Sieh round 15 mbc.) Race one Callags 31.2 mbc.) 1.1 Mad-onae (Calbury Boost Yamaha) 20mm 56 53sec 2, 3 Whethern (Cudbur, Boost Yamaha) 20 90 95, 3.5 Histop (Rod Bull Rove Rambak) 21 11 18: 4 M. Ruster (Feam Duokhams Ducalin 21 22 06.6...) Moode (Team Duokhams Ducalin 21 25.6...) Moode (Team Duokhams Ducalin 21 25.6...)

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Service 1 10 Fastest lap. Mack-enge 51 74 190 45 Championship positions: 1 190 45 Championship positions: 1 190 469 Championship positions: 3 7 Rymer (Ducas) 141, 4 Rumer 133, 5 Moode 114 Stringer 103 British 125cc supercup (15 laps) Rece one: 1, D Gawley (Honda) 14 22 73, 2, P Owens (Honda) 14 22 73, 3, R Appleyand (Honda) 14 22 73, 2, P Owens 65 50 (62 8) Race one: 1 Gawley 14 20 30, 2, F Michaels (Handa) 14 20 33, 3, Appleyand 14 20 47 Fastest lap: Owens 56 49 82 84 British 250cc supercup (15 laps) 1, 5 Smart (Honda) 13 27 76, 2, C Ramsas (Aprille) 13 27 76, 3, 5 Sawford (Aprille) 13 22 66 Fastest lap: Smart 53 07 (88 lag) **PARALYMPICS**

ATLANTA, Georgia, Merri, Athletics: 100m.
Gold: L. Jones: Passis Silver: J. Radmore
(Carl) Bronze: P. Williams (198): 5,000m;
Gold: J. Conde (Sp. Silver) Y. Wu (China)
Bronze: E. Lacron, (Fig. 10,000m. Gold: A.
Guenero (Mea). Silver, H. Wills: (US)
Bronze: C. Amaral Fenera: [Por). High
lump Gold: B. Hou (China). Silver: A. Earle
(GB). Bronze: J. Fan (Ger). Shote, Gold: M.
Ozalv. (Jacan). Silver: D. Herr (US).
Bronze: H. Memil (Carl). Javelin: Gold: M.
Ozalv. (Jacan). Silver: V. Gimus. (Lift).
Bronze: R. Rullale: (US). Track. cycling:
Tandem. Gold: T-Sintrand and P. Sonmann
(Fr). Silver: E. Guezo: and V. Mignon. (Fr).
Bronze: P. Bobi. and G. Galt: (II). Judo:
Under-Silver: Gold: C. Chung-Lee (Thail).
Silver: F. Robothero. (Japan). Bronze: V.
Mitchourne: (Puss.). and II. Junio. J. Under-Silver: Gold: S. Fujirroko (Japan). Silver: A.
Gazemagomedoka: (Russ.). Bronze: C.
Morel (Fr) and M. Lopa; (US).
Women: Athletics. Long. Jump: Gold: A.

Winnen' Athletica, Long Jump: Gold: A Gngalausone (Lu) Säver: ir Viebb (Aus) Bronzer: C Storch (Ger) Fencing: Foil - Class & Gold: J Bourgan (Fr) Siver: S Belgodere (Fr) Bronze P Pool (Fr) Foil - Class B: Gold: M Van de (Lappelle (Fr) Silver: J Path (Hun) Bronze: M Battin (II) Mipred: Track Cycling, Tandem, Gold: P Spadacemi and C Costa illi Silver: 5 Evans and C Dunne (US) Bronzer: M Rosenberg and P Fernandes (US)

RIFLE SHOOTING 8/SLEY: National Smallbore Champion-ships: Earl Roberts Trophy (British proné

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Leeds Tres: Brown, Fozzard, Golden, Holroyd, Hughes 2, Iro 2 McDermoll, Mercer, Shaw 2 Goals: Holroyd 10, Workungton: Tries: Falnowne 2, Gnma, Johnson Nam Goels: Walson 4 Att

22 Paris Castleford Tigens: Tries: Botica, Chapman, Flowers, Gay Goals: Botica 3 Paris Saint-Germain, Tries, Bird, Bomati, Devecchi, Vergnioi Goat: Banquet Att. 4,473

London 13 Wigan 34 London Broncos: Tries: Martin, Offiah Goals: Barwick 2. Dropped goal: Martin Wigan: Ther: Edwards, Johnson, Paul 2, Robinson, Turgamala Goals: Famel 5 Att

Warrington 42 Oldham 24 Warrington: Tries: Cullen Finau 2. Henare 3. Knott, Watson Goals: Knott 5. Oldham Geans: Tries: Belle, Crompton, Neal 2 Goals: Crook, Maloney 3. Att. 3,800

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Devision: Try: Worthy Goal: Ealon Welkefield: Tries: Clarkson, Davis 2, Foa. McDoneld 3, Powell, Remsdan, Wray Goals: Davis 7, Att 1,305

Keighley 64 Widnes 12 keighley Cougans Tries: Jason Chichley 6, Ning, Larder, Powell, Ramshaw Robin-son, Wood Goals: Duon 3 Widnes; Tries; Broschent, Cooper Goalar D Mytor 2 Att 3,964

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Johnson 4,956 Saturday

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M Finisher (Hulf K R)
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S Blakeley (Sallord)
W Richardson (Cartiste)
G Practic (Swinton)
J Schester (Halitan)
S Wilson (Haritan)
A Famel (Wigen)
M Pearson (Featherstone
G Holmyd (Leeds)
D Purhil (Leeds)
F Botca (Castlebord)
S McMamara (Braddord)
H Harra (Warmiglion)
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RUGBY LEAGUE Berrow: Try. Emigron Goele: Alluson 3 Charley Magnes: Tries: C Briscoe Drum-mond, Molyneus, Wareling 2 Goels, Viday, Francis, Parker Dropped goel: Pater Att. 716

ATHLETICS BINCSTON: Guardent Incurrence Smein Athletica Leegue. First division: 100m A 1. L Charle (Trames Valley) 10 31 (Orman record). 2 J Livingston (Shalhesbury Barnet) 10 42 3, A Condon (Satle) 10 36 6: 1, D Money (Sale) 10 77 200m A: 1, Christle 20 87, 2, D Turner (Carciff) 21,26; 3, Condon (Satle) 10 86 6: 1, D Notan (Beignave) 47 52, 2, S McHerdy (Birchfeld) 48 04: 3, P Welker (Liverpool) 48 11 B00m A: 1, M Vales (Beignave) Imin 50 2150; 2, R Waters (Sale) 150 27; 3, P Walker (Liverpool) 45 11 B00m A: 1, M Vales (Beignave) Imin 50 2150; 2, R Waters (Sale) 150 27; 3, P Walker (Liverpool) 150 47 B: 1, E king (Sale) 132 61; 1,500m A: 1, Vales 332,88 2, C Murphy (Sale) 354 24, 3, 1 Gillespae (Berchfald) 35 97; B: 1, P Evens (Beignave) 14 16.4, 2, P Roden (Sale) 1427 0, 3, M Clarkson (Barchfeld) 150 01 B: 1, G Stames (Beignave) 14 16.4, 2, P Roden (Sale) 1427 0, 3, M Clarkson (Barchfeld) 150 01 B: 1, G Stames (Beignave) 14 16 29 B: 1, D Mead (Beignave) 3 14 1 10m hundles A: 1, N Owen (Beignave) 14 26sec, 2, M Stem (Shalhesbury Barnet) 14 43 400m hundles A: 1, P Hobbert (Birchfield) 51 24, 2, D Swage (Sale) 51 62 3, Durson (Shalhesbury Barnet) 14 43 4400m hundles A: 1, P Hobbert (Birchfield) 51 24, 2, D Swage (Sale) 51 62 3, Durson 51 88 B: 1, C White (Sale) 53 64 4 4 100m reley: 1 Shalhesbury Barnet) 40 9, 2, Sale 31 2 34; 3, Beignave 31 36 1 High Jump A: 1, R Aspelant (Beignave) 2 10m, 2, 1 Hoffday Newham and Essex Beagles 28; 3, Blackheath 25, 4, Swenses 9; 5, Cay of Stoke 17; 6, Hoursdow 12; 7, Old Gaytonians 9, 8, Crewley 5 Promoted: Blackheath Newham and Essex Beogles, Hoursdow, Old Gaytonians

Sararescoty Jermin to 9: 2, 38e 3 1, 3; Cardill 41 2 4 x 400m relay: 1, Shaftesbury Barriel 3mm 10 97/sec, 2, Sale 3 12 34; J. Beigrave 3 13 61 High jump A; 1, R Aspeter (Beigrave) 2 10m, 2, 1 Holiday (Shaftesbury Barriel; 205; 3, Penh, (Cardill 200 B; 1, G Smith (Shaftesbury Barriel; 185m Pole voutil A; 1, P Williampon (Tharmes Valley) 5 45m; 2, M Beisham (Sale) 5 30; 3, N Winter (Shaftesbury Barriel) 630 B; 1, A Ashurst (Sale) 5 00m Long jump A; 1, S Philips (Brichfield) 7 59m; 2, D Ricche (Sale) 7 17, 3 G Smith (Shaftesbury Barriel) 15,63m 2, C Charles (Shaftesbury Barriel) 15,63m 2, C Charles (Shaftesbury Barriel) 15,63m 2, C Charles (Tharmes Valley) 15 04, 3, P Idoxiu (Beigrave) 14 97 B; 1, M Brown (Harmgay) 14,47 Shot A; 1, S Prikamp (Harmgay) 19,07, 2 S Hayward (Sale) 17 55; 3, L Newman (Beigrave) 16 22, B; 1, D Callaway (Harmgay) 16 95, Discuss A; 1, R Were (Brichfield) 61 52m (Lasgue record); 2, L Marsu (Beigrave) 55 34; 3, N Thompson (Shaftesbury Barnel) 54 48 B; 7, K Brown (Beigrave) 54 36 Himmer A; 1, D Smith (Beigrave) 59 36m; 2, M Jones (Shaftesbury Barnel) 76 52; 3, N Bevan (Beigrave) 53 46m; 1, Birchfield 95 36m; 2, N Note (Shaftesbury Barnel) 77 60m; 2, N Neisten (Shaftesbury Barnel) 77 60m; 3, Harmgay 167, 7, Cardill 184, 8, Liverpool 163 Athiele-ol-the-match: R Wer (Birchfield) Final positions: 1, Sale 27 (1353) 3, Thames Valley Harmers 24; 4, Birchfield 23, 5, Shaftesbury Barnel 16, 6 Cardiff 11, 7, Harmgay 16, 8, Liverpool 6 Chardylons: Sale Relegated: Cardif, Harngay and Liverpool 272: 4, Brison 229: 7, Leodi Ciry Jede Attilette-of-the-matcht; J Moorhouse (Leodi Ciry) First positions: 1, Morpetti 27: 2, Rotherham 24, 3, Tehord 24; 4, Shorfield 20: 5, Wigan 19; 6, Bristol 10, 7 Leodic City 9 Promoted: Morpetti, Richerham, Tellord To re-quality: Bristol, Leodis Ciry

Harrigey and Liverpool

STOKE-ON-THENT: Second division:
100m: 1, J Golding (Blackheath) 10 Sec.
200m: 1, Golding 20 8 400m: 1, T O'Dell
(Woodlord Green) 410 900m: 1, J Grine
Nowham and Exco. Beagins I min
50 2-sec. 1,500m: 1 Grine 3: 1 52.7
5,000m: 1 Harliness (Old Gaytonians) 14:
1, 416 3,000m: steeplechase: 1, 5 Nowport (Bla-Kheath) 8. 1 59.7 110m hundles:
1, J Archampong (Swansea) 14 5-sec.
400m hundles: 1, 4 Harriey (Woodlord
Green) 53.9 4.7 100m relay; 1, Voodlord
Green 41.4 4 x 400m relay; 1, Woodlord
Green 41.4 4 x 600m relay; 1, Woodlord
Green 41.4 4 x 600m relay; 1, Voodlord
Green 41.5 4 x 600m relay; 1, Voodlord Burraway (Hounslow) 2 06m Pole vault: 1. N Buchted (Crawley) 5 0m Long jump: 1. N Bowsett (Woodlord Greent 7.07m Triple lump: 1. M Brambto (Black-hoath) 14 61m Shot: 1. J Mulcahy (Black-heart) 15 08m Desous: 1. D McDomako (Newharh end Essex Beagles) 49 94m Hammer: 1. P Hoad (Nowharn and Essex Beagles) 49 94m Hammer: 1. P Hoad (Nowharn and Essex Beagles) 69 08m Javelin: 1 S Lought an (Swansas) 25.56m, Match result: 1, Woodford Green 385. 2 Blackhoath 359, 3 Newham and Essox Bragles 325; 4. Swansas 293, 5. Cly of Stoke 278, 6. Old Gavfontuns 188.7. Crayley 184. 8 Hounslow 158 Attliefe-of-Crayley 184. of Stoke 278, 6, Old Gaytonians 188 . . . Crawley 194 8 Hounslow 156 Althlefe-of-the-matcht 1. J Golding (Blackheath) Final positione: 1, Woodlord Green 29 2

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TELFORD: Fourth division: 100m: 1. J. Deacon (Morpeth) 10.9eec. 200m. 1. J. Deacon 21.7 400m: 1. M. Huggns (Leeds City) 48.4 800m: 1. L. Michard (Shetheld) Irms 53 8sec. 1,500m: 1. Michard 3:53.1. 5,000m: 1. J. J. Moorhouse (Leeds City) 14.29.5. 3,000m: sheeplechase: 1. A. Beevers (Leeds City) 9:29.2. 110m httrdest. 1. M. Robbons (Rotherham) 15 0sec. 400m hurdlest. 1. R. Hough (Shetheld) 55.7. 4 x 100m relay: 1. Shetfield 44.2. 4 x 400m relay: 1. Wigari Zims 17.5sec. High jumps: 1, Frobbins 2.04m. Pole vault: 1. Diebons (Rotherham) 4.80m. Long jumps: 1, S. Rowbotham (Rotherham) 13.63m. Discus: 1. I. Taylor (Tetord) 47.10m. Hammist: 1. R. Carelests (Tetord) 47.10m. Hammist: 1. R. Carelests (Tetord) 47.25m. Hammist: 1. R. Carelests (Tetord) 48.52m. Javelin: 1. J. Djohnson (Shetheld) 60.22m. Match result: 1. Telford 371. 2. Shejheid 363. 3. Rotherham 343; 4. Wilgan 273; 5. Morpets 772: 8. Bristo 025; 7. Leeds City 189. Althelbrio-the-match; J. Moonhouse (Leeds City) 186 constitute: 1. Merci coestitute: 1. Moonhouse (Leeds City) 186 city 1874 coestitute: 1. Moonhouse (Leeds City) 1874 city 1

Promoted: Morpeth, Rotherham, Telland To ne-quality, Bristol, Leeds City LVERPOOL: UK Women's League: First clivision: 100hrt. 1, C Murphy (Shallesbury Barnet) 118-sec. 200hrt. 1, C Bloomfield (Essex Ladies) 24 0 400hrt. 1, P Smith (Sale) 32 0 800hrt. 1, P Fryor (Sale) 22 0 1,500hrt. 1, P Smith (Sale) 32 0 800hrt. 1, P Fryor (Sale) 22 7 3,000hrt. 1,500hrt. 1,500hr



The winner was Nelson Pessoa, of Brazil, on Loro Piana Vivaldi. Photograph: Julian Herbert. Report: page 29

CLUB CRICKET

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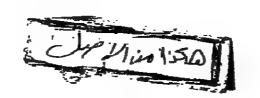
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RUGBY LEAGUE

Leeds emerge on top from battle of the also-rans

JEEDS emerged as the runaway winners from yesterday's clash between two teams that have struggled to make an impact in the Super League this season. They scored 12 tries against five to hear Workington Town 68-28 at

Headingley.

But a Workington team heading for relegation fought hard for most of the game and when they cut the arrears to 34-24 early in the second half, still had a chance of saving the

Three tries from Adam Hughes, the centre, Gary Mercer, the second-row for-ward, and Graham Holroyd, the stand-off half, in the first nine minutes allowed Leeds to wake a firm grip of proceed-engs. However, Workington responded well to the midfield promptings of the scrum half. lan Watson, and got back into contention with a try from

London Broncos13

BY CHRISTOPHER IRVINE

THE entry on Saturday of

Wigan's one-man cavalry en-

sured that the Super League

title race will run its full

course. Were it not for Shaun

Edwards, proud bearer of the

spost decorated chest in the ousiness. St Helens might

have been running up the flag

Edwards, naturally, protest-

ed that he should have been on

at scrum half from the start.

The "super sub" label is one he

would rather not wear, yet the

galvanising sight of Edwards

from the 55th minute, as if all

eight of his League champion-

ship medals were glistening in

the evening sun, put fear into a

hitherto fearless London and

The Broncos' 9-6 lead was

within two minutes of him

replacing Murdock. No player

has perfected the art of being

in the right place at the right

time better. Edwards backed

up Cassidy and scored from

halfway with his first touch. In

harness at half-back with

Henry Paul, whose two-try

display had Bath drooling

again at their £100,000 cap-

ture for half the rugby union

keason, they cut poor London

It was not simply that

Edwards had a personal point

to make after three substitute

appearances. He alone in the

their game was up.

sooner than next weekend.

By Christopher Irvine

The Australian full back scored tries either side of the interval to help Workington to reduce the arrears to just ten points after 42 minutes. Leeds reasserted themselves in the latter stages, however, scoring

five tries in the final quarter. Kevin Iro, the New Zealand centre, ran în two tries în two minutes and further scores from Barrie McDermon and Nick Fozzard, both prop forwards, enabled Leeds to pile up the points in their last

nome game of the season. Paris Saint-Germain, a place above Workington, ended their travels this season still without an away win, although they came close on Saturday night in a 22-18

defeat by Castleford Tigers at Wheldon Road. If Pierre Chamorin, the Paris centre, had not been sent off in the 42nd minute, it might have been a different

story. They were trailing 12-4

winning. The laurels this time nearly belong to St Helens, but that did not dim Ed-

wards's obvious determ-

ination to put Wigan in a position from which they

Shaun McRae, the St Hel-

ens coach, was at The Valley,

as was the Super League trophy. The two did not come

into contact. McRae, rightly

superstitious, had all along

worked on the basis that

Wigan would beat London

and his side would have to win

their two remaining home

That left McRae and Ed-

wards as possibly the only

people among a record 10,000

crowd at Charlton who be-

lieved that Wigan would get

out of the hole London had

dug for them. Tony Martin

did much of the spade work

with a splendid try and

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of the season.

last quarter.

could snatch them away.

Edwards ensures

race goes to wire

at that stage, but the French side reduced the deficit when Eric Vergninl scored the secand of their four tries. Dion Bird had initially put

Paris in front. Castleford responded with tries by Richard Gay and David Chapman in three minutes, but there were long periods, even after Chamorin's dismissal, when they struggled to contain the Paris team.

Frano Botica eventually made sure of the home side's victory with an 80-metre solo try after Patrick Entat, the Paris captain, had dropped a pass close to the opposition line. Botica also added his third goal and Jason Flowers nowered over shortly afterwards, although Castleford endured a tense finish, us Pascal Branati and Fahien

Devvechi scored late tries. England got off to the worst possible start in the Halifux Student World Cup, losing their opening group game at Warrington 29-2 to France. whose team included ten first division players. One of their five try-scorers, Eric Van

Brussel, is a member of the senior international side. By playing rugby league, the Japan team have forfeited the right to play rugby union in their country, where the old amateur days are alive and well. The squad was selected after trials in Tokyo and Osaka. Their naivety was

exposed in a 90-6, 18-try thrashing by Scotland. Western Samoa beat New Zealand, inaugural winners of

the Student World Cup in 1986, by 16-4. The Rugby Football League board of directors will today consider a proposal from Huddersfield, Dewsbury and Batley to merge as a joint club

for "fast-tracking" into the Super League next year. Under the proposals there would be a Super League side based at Huddersfield's McAlpine Stadium, with another centred on Batley and Dewsbury in the first division. Bob Scott, the Hudderstield

dropped goal. At 17, the precovice-chairman, said: "There clously talented full back is has been talk of mergers for clubs have taken the plunge. If we are successful, it will Martin Offiah claimed a try against his former teamencourage other clubs with mates, but it merely interruptsimilar views to make a real ed the flow of further scores by sustained effort to merge. There is a new realism about Robinson, Johnson and finances and the way the game. Tuigamala as Wigan turned is going. We have got to be on the style in a devastating bold and take big decisions." SCORERS: London: Tries: Marun, Othan Goals: Bannch (2) Dropped goal: Marin Wigan: Tries: Paul (2), Edwards, Robinson Johnson, Turgamaia, Goals: Farrell (5)

The plan will also come up for discussion at a special general meeting of clubs at Wigan on Wednesday. Huli and Keighley are also hoping to follow South Wales in being 'fast-tracked" into the Super League in 1997. The various schemes will be voted on at a meeting of the Rugby League Council on September 11.



Murrayfield hosts honourable tribute won but leaked both tries and

Scotland Barbarians.....

> BY DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

THE two children from Dunblane Primary School who led the teams out at Murrayfield on Saturday were both a poignant reminder of a bereaved community and its hope for the future. The presence of Jennifer Harrild, 1, and Andrew Robertson, 12, among the 32,002 crowd, left no one in any doubt that a sporting victory or defeat was of no consequence. Nonetheless, rugby union

paid an honourable tribute to those who died on March 13 in the shooting at Dunblane. The money raised, which will not be determined for another six weeks, will go to the Dunblane Fund, designed to help those directly affected by the tragedy to fund a suitable memorial and to benefit other communities in their hour of The occasion also served as

a useful reminder to a sport whose own steady, conservative tenor has been disrupted over the past year and which will not be the same again. That rugby union needs to reestablish its values rather than breaking down into the fracrious entities which have become such a feature of the past few months is equally selfevident and the Barbarians were there to jog the memory. One hopes that they always will be. The response by players from eight countries to appear in the famous Barbarian shirt without recommense

was heartening, their attitude

served. That the Scottish management was left bitting its nails at the sight of players, all of whom toured together in New Zealand during the summer. apparently not on the same wavelength was neither

"Our initial disappointment at losing must be set against the appreciation of the crowd and the reason we were all there." Gregor Townsend, who led Scotland in the ab-

South Africa 19

New Zealand 23

BY DAVID HANDS

NEW Zealand stand on the

verge of an historic series

victory in South Africa and

have two opportunities, in

Pretoria this Saturday and

Johannesburg a week later, to

achieved back-to-back wins in

the republic for the first time

and if Sean Fitznatrick's men

can lift themselves once more.

the pay-back for defeat in the

World Cup final last year will

Yet this tour and the tri-

nations tournament that pre-

ceded it are a great drain on men and minds. That South

Africa came as close as four

points to winning in Durban

on Saturday, after trailing

15-3, underscores the huge

individual resolve in a nation

that, slowly but surely, app-

ears to be relinquishing the

impetus achieved during the

be complete.

World Cup.

said. Jim Telfer, the Scottish Rugby Union's director of rugby, spoke of the poignancy of the moments before the game as Murrayfield echoed the silence and emptiness felt by the world five months ago, and applauded both teams equally at the end.

Yet Telfer also reflected on an opportunity lost before the games against Australia and Italy this autumn, on a Scot-land team that should have

All Blacks regaining control

Only seven of the 15 players

who started the tri-nations

tournament with such opti-

mism just over a month ago

appeared at Kings Park. The

three new caps included An-

dre Snyman, introduced at

the last moment after the

withdrawal of the rocklike

Japle Mulder, and the inco-

herence of such a refurbished

team undoubtedly assisted

Nor have New Zealand lost

their ability to bend the laws

to the uttermost. The penalty

count mounted against them

because of their resolute deni-

al to South Africa of quick ball

from ruck and maul. The

home team can have no cause

for complaint, though. They

tested regularly the rules over

replacements by switching

Had Stransky kicked his

early goals — he missed five of

ten attempts - the outcome

might have been different.

though New Zealand minds

might equally have remained

more focused in the closing

players for tactical purposes.

two brilliant first-half tries.

discipline. "We can score tries from our own line but we don't have the same killer instinct as far as defence is concerned." Telfer said. Gavin Hastings, now re-

tired from international rugby, provided 18 points for the Barbarians and five more came from the evergreen lain Morrison. But the mainspring of the Barbarians was the halfback combination of Pat Howard and Agustin Pichot, who

quarter after Zinzan Brooke's

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both play against Wales in Cardiff on Saturday. Howard and Townsend

now rate among the world's best running stand-off halves while Pichot has attracted the attention of several English clubs, notably Saracens who are also said to be interested in luring Tony Daly from Australia. Pichot, the Argentine scrum half who is 22 this week, has no intention of leaving Suenos Aires until his studies are complete in two years' time, but the frustration of playing for an amateur national side against fully-paid professionals may in the end prove too much.

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present side knows what it is to win titles and keep on

HOCKEY

Toothless England finish last

By Sydney Friskin

ENGLAND'S men finished last of the four teams in the under-21 tournament at Vught in Holland after a 4-1 defeat on Saturday by Holland in the play-off series for the Volvo Trophy. After a 40 trouncing by

Pakistan in the round robin series on the first day. England fell further behind in losing 2-1 to Germany the following day. A 2-1 win over Holland on the third day hinted at recovery but Holland came back with a vengeance in the play-off, running into a 3-0 lead before half-time and adding a fourth goal in the 61st minute after Stuart Humphries had converted a 48th-minute short corner.

In four matches England scored only four goals and conceded II. Humphries obtained two from short corners with Alistair Boyse and David Matthews adding one cach from open play.

The trophy was won by Pakistan who beat Germany 2-1 with a sudden-death goal by Ali Raza in extra time. England's women fared better, losing 2-0 to Holland in the final. England began their campaign with an 8-1 win over

still qualified for the final. Melanie Clewlow, of England, and Sylvia Karres, of Holland, were joint top-scorers with four goals.

South Africa, beat Germany 3-

2, then lost 2-1 to Holland but

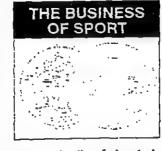
Sport finds itself at a loss in struggle with taxing problem

SPORT and government have always made uncomfortable bedfellows even if most of the worst excesses, from politically-inspired sporting boycotts to the state-sponsored cheating of the former Eastern bloc. seem to have abated in recent years. But most governments remain only too willing to try to grab some of the glory from national sporting success - witness the rush to congratulate the England football team during their European championship campaign.

The recent decision to divert £100 million of luttery funding to help to establish a national sporting academy seems to be a generous gesture. But for every pound the Government doles out to help restore the country's sporting glory, the Sports Council estimates it is taking £7 out of sport in the form of taxes.

Sports administrators have always had trouble grappling with tax. Traditionally, the administrator class has been divided into two camps: the complete amateurs whose enthusiasm only partially makes up for their complete lack of financial acumen and the wheeler-dealers who view tax as a challenge - to be dodged.

Football has, until recently, been especially associated with the Arthur Daley approach to taxation. So it is not surprising to find that the Inland Revenue has established a special operations team specifically to try to unravel years of dubious accounting in the game. Al-



though details of the deals have never been made public. it is estimated that clubs have paid out almost £30 million in hack taxes, with some potential scams surrounding the transfers of foreign players still under investigation. Deloitte Touche, the ac-

countants, estimate that football clubs still pay £127 million in tax each year - a quarter of their total income despite all the alleged scams. Almost all of this tax is paid in the form of PAYE and VAT as most clubs are still barely profitable, ensuring that corporation tax remains for the moment, at a low level.

But with football rapidly developing as a serious business. Deloitte believe that many clubs are going to have to learn the tax-planning wheezes employed by the best operators in the private sector. Clubs paid a total of only E7.3 million in corporation tax

in 1994-95, the last season for which accounts are fully available. Most of this actually related to just four profitable clubs, with Manchester United and Tottenham Hotspur, quoted companies that are expected by the City

to make a profit, paying £5.8 million and £0.4 million repsectively. Outside the FA Carling Premership only Southend had a significant tax charge — of El80,000. Many large clubs either had no tax charge or accrued tax credits after making a loss. The tax position of most of

the country's sports clubs is rather different being governed by some arcane tax laws. Sporting bodies normally fall into a curious no man's land between being regarded as a business and a charity. The British Olympic Association finds itself in the absurd position of being sued by the Inland Revenue for tax on £13 million it has raised for funding athletes up until 1998 even as the Government promises more money to help future Olympic hopefuls.

The Sports Council has called for the tax laws on snort to be reformed. It argues that corporation tax should be removed from representative sporting organisations, pointing out that since few make a profit, it would cost the Excheguer only around £12 million a year. It is even possible that the Government could save

The Council has also called for more private-sector funding to be encouraged by making gifts to sport tax deductible. Again, the logic suggests that such a move would not prove costly. But if the Government truly wants to help, it should take a look at those tax laws.

ALASDAIR MURRAY

PARALYMPICS

Jackson takes his time over gold

BY ALIX RAMSAY .

SIMON JACKSON may be the most successful judo player in the Great Britain Paralympic team in Atlanta. but he is slipping. On Saturday night. Jackson beat Fabian Ramirez, of Argentina, to win the 78kg category, but victory took four times as long to secure as it had in Barcelona.

Four years ago, Jackson took a mere six seconds to take the gold. This time, he was forced to wait 24 seconds before claiming his medal, his third in as many Games. It is nine years since anyone has managed to beat Jackson

in any weight category - his career in the Paralympics began when he was aged 16 and weighed 912 stones - and Ramirez was not the man to end that record. Given that background, it is

little surprise that Jackson is nothing if not a confident performer. He had been sent on his way to the United States with a good-luck message from Prince Naseem Hamed, the world champion boxer. "I respect him as a boxer and he respects me as a judo player," Jackson said. Ramirez soon learnt to re-

spect Jackson, too. Jackson, 24. from Lancashire, thought he had won with his first throw, after only nine seconds, but the judges had other ideas. No matter: his next effort did the trick, and Ramirez had to make do with the silver.

"I am now classed as the Steve Redgrave of the Paralympics," Jackson said. " have had so much support from the team out here. They have all been here to see me win gold, and now I would like to see them bang in some more medals all round." Jackson did not have to wait

too long for that. After only two days of competition, Britain are fourth in the medals table with 11 - the United States are in thirteenth position - after Emily Jennings and Sarah Bailey added two further gold medals from the pool. This is Jennings's first Paralympics, her only other taste of international competition coming in the European championships last year.

On Saturday, she was off the pace in the final length of the SM9 200 metres medley. but came back to edge past the American, Joyce Luncher, by 0.02sec. Although she had been nervous before the race, Jennings opted for the "bull in the china shop" approach in the final. "At the end I just put my head down and I got it," she said.

Sarah Bailey, from Stockport, also had to fight back in the SMIO 200 metres medley. She retook the lead after the third leg, and then had to withstand a fierce challenge from the Australian, Gemma Dashwood, in the last ten metres, setting a world record of 2min 38:38sec in the process. PERSONAL LOANS

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Don't get left behind in football's £50,000 race

way - and some of the world's most exciting footballers have been quick off the mark in making their presence felt and justifying those astonishing transfer

But you will need to be quick if you want the added enjoyment of playing Interactive Team Football (ITF), the stateof-the-art football game, this season. The race for the first prize of £50,000 has already begun but it is not too late to catch up. Although the deadline for entries passed on Saturday. The Times, in association with Sky Sports Interactive, today offers you another chance to join ITF and show your football knowledge by selecting a team from the best players in Britain - those in the FA Carling Premiership and the leading clubs in the Bell's Scottish League, The sooner you enter, the

sooner your team will start to score points - and become eligible for the prizes. £50,000 team selector, £1,000 to the selector of the best team of the month and £250 for the best team of the week throughout the season. But you can only start scoring once your team has been registered - so don't delay. There are Premiership matches tonight, tomorrow and on Wednesday. From today postal entries will start scoring as soon as they are processed and telephone entries made by 12 noon will start scoring from matches played on that day onwards. You may enter as many teams as you

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You have £35 million to spend on a team of 11 players and a manager. Study the lists of players in the five categories goalkeepers, full backs, central defenders, midfield players and strikers - and the price of each. You must select a team in 4-4-2 formation, including one goalkeeper, two full backs, two central defenders, four midfield players and two strikers. You must pick a manager — who will have a price tag too.

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All matches from Saturday August 17 in the FA Carling Premiership, the Bell's Scottish League premier division and those in the FA Cup involving Premiership clubs and the Tennents Scottish Cup involving premier division clubs count for points.

But how should you choose your team? The essential rules are that you cannot have more than two individuals (two players or one player and the manager) from any one club in your team, you may not pick the same player twice and that you must not exceed your budget of £35 million. For



strikers the Liverpool pairing of Stan Collymore and Robbie Fowler, that will take up your Liverpool allocation. If, however, one of your selected midfield players, say Paul Gascoigne, leaves Rangers to join Liverpool, you will then have three at the Anfield club - but you need not worry. ITF

has an active transfer system, which is in operation already, and you will be able to adjust your team accordingly. You must replace the outgoing player with one from the same category (a full back with a full back) and keep within your £35 million budget. Equally, if one of your players is transferred out of the Premiership or Scottish League premier division, he is no longer eligible for ITF. Any players from outside the Premiership or Scottish League premier division that are transferred to clubs playing in the top level

available for transfer. Note. too, that there are several additional players since ITF

Your players and manager

will win and lose you points. Points are awarded depending on every goal scored and conceded with three points earned for a goalkeeper or defender (full back and central defender) scoring a goal, two points for a midfield player or striker scoring, three points for a defender keeping a clean sheet (not letting in a goal). four points for a goalkeeper maintaining a clean sheet, one point for a midfield player keeping a clean sheet and all players receive one point for appearing in a match (providing they play for 45 minutes in that game). Any player scoring a hat-trick will receive six bonus points. To secure points for a clean sheet, a player must have played for at least 75 minutes in that match.

Points will be deducted for every goal a defender concedes (one), every goal a goalkeeper concedes (two), every booking a player receives (one), every time a player is sent off (three) and a point each for a penalty conceded by a player, a penalty missed and every own goal scored by a player.

If you have selected Kevin Keegan as your manager, you will earn three points if Newcastle United win, one point if they draw and have a point docked if they lose. If Keegan was dismissed or moved to a club outside the Premiership or Scottish League premier division, you would need a new manager.

your selectorial skills against other readers of The Times, you will also be matching your vits against those in the know. With the support of the Professional Footballers' Association (PFA), current Premiership players have been encouraged

to enter sides of their own. There are two methods by

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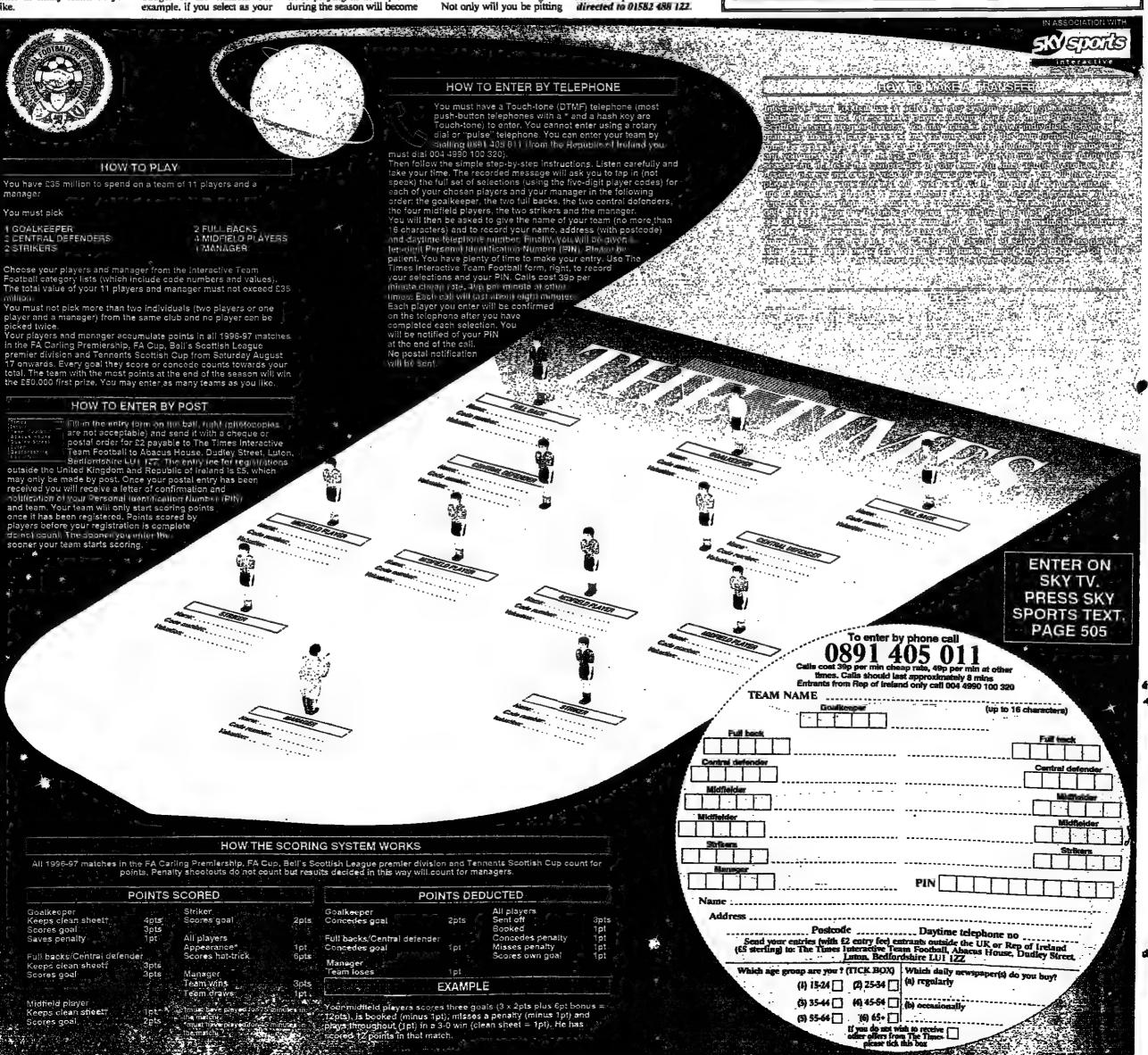
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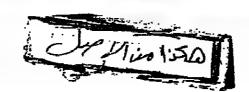
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Sally Jones discovers triathlon — throbbing thighs, the 'coffin' crawl and head-first dismounts from a bicycle

Why 8,000 women can't be wrong

Idly flicking through the tele vision channels in 1982, I watched appalled as a slight young woman called Julie Moss, obviously in the final stages of exhaustion, crawled almost unconscious the last few paces of a marathon, having already completed a 2½-mile swim and a 112-mile bike ride non-stop in blazing

Within a few heartbreaking yards of the winning post, her nearest rival overtook her to claim the Women's Hawaii Ironman Championship while Moss inched across the line 29 seconds later, her implacable will to win etched on her haggard, salt-caked face. What sort of freaks and



masochists were these people who drave themselves beyond the limits of their endurance over such vast distances? Surely it was a purely American phenomenon? But no. Soon afterwards I met the British women's champion, Dr Sarah Springman, who was also a Cambridge engineering don, fitting her three hours' training each day around a 12-hour stint in the laboratory.

Despite a moderate background in swimming and running, as a former Oxford modern pentathlete, I mentally crossed triathlon off my list; at least until last month, when the new British champion. Rachel Horn, 27, from Cambridge, described how she had taken up triathlon only three years ago and was now training hard for next week's world championships in Cleveland,

A former engineering un-dergraduate at Magdalene College, she was a county standard cross-country runner and club swimmer but entered her first triathlon in 1993 only Springman, her supervisor. Horn began a heavy training programme that within a year



Rachel Horn, the British triathlon champion, says of her sport: "What I like is the way you see yourself improve against other people and the friendship and encouragement you get, even from big rivals"

British championships. This year she took the British title, despite having to fit up to 34 hours' training a day around the 12-hour shifts she works getting on-site experience at the Hackney-Mil link road.

Come and do a training session with me," she urged. "What do you mean, not fit enough? When I first started I was running just two miles a week and I'd scarcely sat on a bike." It was nevertheless with some trepidation that I-clam-bered aboard Rachel's secondstring racing bike. Triathletes specialise in looking as much like sci-fi insect-aliens as possible and talk knowledgeably of their pulse rates and body fat percentages, both usually

in single figures. pedalled wearily in Rachel's slipstream for three miles to the school pool in Impington. where she trains with the

Cambridge Triathlon Club. While she donned goggles and began her rapid, metronomic crawl up and down the fast lane of the 50-metre pool, I followed more sedately in the wake of Don Hutchinson, a trim, humorous man training for the 50-54 age group of the

world championships.

After 32 lengths of so-called "steady pace" and "full pressure" crawl (my own version of this was "very slow" and 'slow"), I was gasping and rolling in the water or snatching a few crafty strokes of backstroke to get my breath back. "Swim as though you are in a coffin," Don said. "make yourself as long and straight as you can."

I essayed another some some in my newly discovered coffin crawl, feeling towards the end as though the meta-

BY RAYMOND KEENE

CHESS CORRESPONDENT

When this year's British Champ-ionship at Nottingham opered, the firm favourise was grandmaster,

Matthew Sadler, from Chatham in Kent, Apart from being the defend-

up a series of first prizes in international tournaments and

international tournaments and significantly improved his rating.

However. in the championship

itself. Sadler came unstuck in the following game against Chris Ward, who employed the sharp Benoni Defence. After much

manoeuvring the game burst into life, but it was Ward, rather than

the reigning champion, who saw

his way more clearly through the factics. This was a key victory for Ward on his way so winning this

British Championship, Notting-ham. August 1996

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year's championship.

Black: Chris Ward

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White: Matthew Sadler

Ward wins

summoning the energy to get out of the pool, Rachel described the mad dash from open water swim to cycle race the heat of competition: competitors pulling off their wet suits en route to the transition area where each triathlete's bike and cycling gear is waiting in its allotted space. To cut changeover times to a minimum, top competitors even do regular

transition practices". Next came our cycle session. accompanied by Rob Staples. a star fell-runner, and Gary Speechley, a former roadracing cyclist. My elbows resting on the "tri-bars", designed to give the cyclist the most aerodynamic position, I althen pedalled furiously to try to keep up with my companions' "medium pace".

Tweive miles later came a

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Diagram of final position

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Final results from the British

Championship were as follows: Chris Ward 9/11; Jonathan Parker

S.5; Aaron Summerscale 8; Mat-thew Sadler, John Emms and Graham Lee 7.5. 12 year old prodigy Luke McShane lost in the last round and, therefore, missed

securing an international master result.

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KEENE on CHESS

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stretching and warm-up session. We practised a series of prancing action with your thighs parallel to the ground:

Sci-fi insect-aliens: the author (left) and Rachel Horn pace. Triathletes soon learn to ignore the ignorant mockery

Most of Horn's training

interspersed with several tenmile runs each week to build up strength and endurance. "I began with a very low mile-age," she said, "and only built it up gradually. I started cycle training with my old touring bike and didn't even take the bell off before my first competition. What I like about triathlon is the way you see yourself improve against other people — and the incredible friendship and encourage ment you get, even from big

After a few minutes rest, I attempted a short but agonising run, my thighs still throbbing after the morning's exertions and finally limped home at a pace akin to Peter Rabbit's "lippity, lippity, not very fast. My next step? Train for a couple of hours each week, enter the shortest novice "fast feet", flicking your feet consists of repetitions of runs triathlon I can find and, back to hit your bottom at each from 400 to 1,500 metres, literally, take the plunge.

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

BY ROBERT SHEEHAN, BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT At first sight you might think this was one of those hands where you play to keep the danger hand out of the lead, but South saw more deeply into the position.

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As he held a likely entry in the king of clubs, West might reasonably have chanced giving up a trick in hearts but he was afraid that this might give declarer his ninth trick so he started passively with the ten

South could see seven tricks on top and at least one more could be established in clubs. As he could not afford to lose the lead to East (because of the danger of a damaging heart return) it seemed natural to lead clubs from dummy, but that offered little prospect of

more than eight tricks.

South decided to hope that the club finesse was wrong. He won with the king of spades, came to hand with a diamond, and led a low club towards the jack. When this held (if West had taken his king, declarer would have had three tricks in the suit), he was more or less home. He cashed a second spade and the remaining diamonds, then followed with the

ace of clubs. The best that poor West could do was unblock by throwing his king under the ace - otherwise he is thrown in with a third club and forced to concede a heart trick as well. At least in this way he was able to restrict South to nine tricks.

☐ Robert Sheehan writes on bridge Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

WORD-WATCHING

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By Philip Howard

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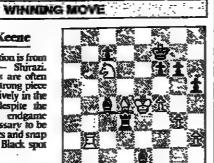
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section on Saturday.

By Raymond Keene

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Black to play. This position is from the game Gofstein — Shirazi. France 1996, Beginners are often told that the king is a strong piece and should be used actively in the endgame. However, despite the reduced material in endgame positions it is still necessary to be on the look-out for tactics and snap checkmates. What did Black spot



To the casual observer, the triathlon might appear to be an event of three disciplines. That was certainly my impression. But for the athlete competing against the British climate there is a fourth event. sneaked in between swim and cycle: removing the wetsuit.

When, looking for an excuse to delay my next attempt at the marathon. I decided to try a triathlon, I opted for the Olympic distance: 1,500 metre swim. 40 kilometre bike ride and 10 kilometre run. With four months to prepare, I decided to divide each

week into parcels of activity.

giving equal time to the three disciplines. Finding a place to swim was easy: I belong to a gym with a pool and I even splashed out on a half-hour of coaching to improve my stroke. I made my only significant investment of the adventure: a wetsuit for £100. I decided to try it out in the pool and created a minor sensation as I ploughed up and down. Any advantage the

tremendous buoyancy of the suit might have given me was lost as I struggled to peel it off. Next, I ventured into open water. I live in London's Docklands but, with water, water everywhere, nobody would risk having me drown or contract Weil's disease on

their particular stretch. Eventually, I found myself on the shores of Willen Lake in Milton Keynes, It is a rule in triathlon that the feet and hands must not be covered, and so those extremities and my face lost feeling. An ineffi-cient swimmer. I breathe only to the left, a failing punished on alternate legs of the lake, when the wind-driven waves - that had seemed so small from the shore -- forced me to develop a new breathing technique, rolling my head and

shoulders so my mouth almost

faced the sky. I also found out

what the lines on the bottom of

pools are for: if I failed to raise

went wildly off course.

my face every three strokes. I

The insider's view of the wide-ranging

triathlon training regime

> bikes. It seemed unwise to turn up at my first event boasting the latest machinery. so I borrowed a simple racing bike. Teaming up with a friend, I set out to ride the quiet and hilly byways of Hertfordshire, I soon discovered why real athletes spend so much money on their equipment. Bit by bit, as my fitness improved and the handlebar-mounted computer recorded ever faster speeds, bits began to snap, crack and pop.

I have never liked cycling, or

became a Monday-morning regular at the local bike-repair shop, bringing a smile to the face of the man in the Raleigh overalls as he replaced cranks, rims and spokes. "You've virtually rebuilt this thing," he said about a week before the big day.

The final eye-opener was the running. The first time I combined the cycling and the running I almost gave up. We'd cycled hard but I felt good until I leapt off the machine. Quite clearly I had left my legs behind and taken somebody else's — and my brain and their feet weren't on

On the big day my training partner and I wheeled our humble machines into the lakeside transition area, sought out our numbers and hung our mounts on the racks by their handlebars. Sneaking sideways glances we laid out our cycling and running kit on towels like the others had.

That's a high gear to start out in." the hair-free superman to my left said. Did you JON GORNALL

I became a regular at the repair shop

> they got out of their wetsuits so We stumbled, shivering. into the water, floating at the start. The field strung out after a few minutes and before the first buoy came into sight I kept my bearings by following what appeared to be a shoal of

on the right sighed as he

slapped Vaseline all over his

shoulders. So that was how

large lish boiling the water. Simply not prepared to cycle and run through the lunes of rural Northamptonshire in the standard kit of swimming trunks and cropped top, I lost seconds in transition strug-gling modestly into shorts, Tshirt and shoes. On the bike, I tried to remember the lessons of training: stay down on the drops as much as possible: don't coast except when the option is certain death; treat the brakes with disdain.

it was a hot day and on the two or three long straights on the tortuous course I tried to drink as much water as I could, cursing that I had failed to find a handlebar-mounted system and almost crashing each time I fumbled for my bottle. At one point, standing in the pedals and gasping up a long hill. I found new strength passing the hairless superman as he tried to kick to death his punctured £2,000 bike.

Discarding my faithful bornowed clunker. I set out, under what was now a midday sun. with competitors whose faces were set in a rictus by a bittersweet blend of pain and triumph as the end of the ordeal

It was not the fastest ten kilometres I have run, but it was certainly a personal-best triathlon. Just turned 40, 1 came in eleventh out of 20 veterans in a time of 2hr 25min 09sec (swim 26min 03sec, bike Ihr I6min 39sec. run 42min 27sec). Overall, I was 66th out of 106, and the winner breezed

JON GORNALL

HOW TO STAIT!

TRIATHLON started in the early 1970s after a 💣 fitness freak from San Diego, appropriately named David Pain, staged the David Pain birthday biathlon; a six-mile run followed by a

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hall-cule swim. In 1974 the first triathlon was held and included five miles of running and cycling, interspersed with two quarter-mile swims; chickenfeed compared to the formidable Hawaii Ironman — a 2½-mile swim in open water, a 112-mile cycle race and a marathon. Television coverage of Julie Moss's ordeal amazingly inspired 50 per cent more triathletes to compete in the event the following

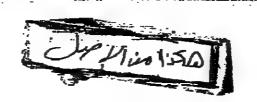
Britain is one of the top triathlon nations with about 50,000 people, including 8,000 women, competing regularly in a variety of events with age groups ranging from eight to 80 plus. The oldest regular competitor is 81-year-old Patrick Barnes. The male world champion for the past four years has been British: Simon Lessing in 1992 and 1995. Spencer Smith in 1993 and 1994. Both are expected to be among the contenders for a gold medal when triathion becomes a full Olympic sport at Sydney in 2000.

Equipment most of

the basic kit is relatively cheap or can be bought secondhand. The swimming requires goggles (£5) and a costume or Lycra two-piece (about £25) which for open water races is worn under a wetsuit (£100 second-hand or £200 plus new). For the cycling, the main expense is a racing bike these can range from E250 to E2,000 plus while the helmet and cycling shoes, which clip directly to the pedals, are each about £30. Some triathletes cycle in padded shorts (£20) but many opt to compete in swimming costume or two-piece throughout the bike and run to save time at transitions. Most new corners start off with basic trainers (about £50) for the run, graduating to more specialised running shoes as they gain experience.

How to start: Most of Britain's 230 clubs run training days to teach potential competitors how to prepare for their first race. Each course is linked to a short novice event. The accent is more on fitness and enjoyment than competition. • The British Triathlon Association, Box 26, Ashby de la Zouch. Leicestershire.

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TOMORROW

Interima: Cussins Property Group, Glenchewton, Grase-by, Kerry Group, Orange, Perry Gp. Finala: Armitrage Broth-ers, British Sky Broadcasting. Economic statistics: UK July Economic statistics: UK July M4 money supply, UK July M4 lending, UK BBA monthly statement — July, UK building societies monthly figures — July, Bank of England announces details of August 28 gift auction, FOMC meeting, US June trade balance, US Mitsubishi weekly store sales, US Johnson Redbook sales, US Treasury announces size of short-term T-bills, FOMC meeting, short-term T-bills, FOMC meet-ing, API weekly oil supply moistics. Bundesbank calls for repo bids.

WEDNESDAY

Interims: Dunedin Income Growth, EW Fact, Marley, Mer-sey Docks & Harbour, Richard-sons, Westgarth, TR High Income Trust, Whatman. Finals: News Corporation. Economic statistics: UK July retail sales, US import/export price indices, US Treasury July budget report, US Kansas City Fed Survey, US July Budget statement, US Treasury announces size of two-year, five-year note auctions, Bundesbank awarding repos.

THURSDAY

Interime: Dawsongroup, Ev-ans Halshaw, Goldsmiths Gp, Rentokil Gp. Finale: News International. Economic statistics: UK Q2 output, income and expenditure, Bundesbank Council meeting, US weekly jobless claims.

FRIDAY

Interime: Mallet, Monument Oil & Gas. Finals: none scheduled. Economic statistics; French July final consumer prices index, UK August CBI monthly trends, UK July motor vehicle production, UK Q2 provisional capital expenditure, Q2 provisional stocks, US July durable goods orders.





Charging up to the Christmas rush

mas lights that are within twinkling distance for the catalogue retailer. First-half pre-tax profits out today are forecast in the range of £25 million to £28 million, compared with £21.8 million last war. million last year.

The City is expecting an upbeat report on sales and a rosy picture on consumer spending from Mike Smith, chief executive. At its annual meeting in May. Argos reported a 17 per cent sales rise in sales for the first four months of the year, with the like-for-like figures more than 9 per cent

The second half matters more. A strong run topped off with a good Christmas could boost fullyear profits by a quarter to about E143 million. An interim net dividend of 5p is likely, up from

ORANGE: Investors in the mobile phone group will be looking for good news on subscriber levels when it reports tomorrow. These will be its first interim figures since coming to the market. Losses at the half year are expected to come in at about £130 million, but more encouraging news on the number of people signing up to the network could help bolster the share price.

The shares have fallen back from a 205p flotation price in March to about 185p. Analysts are looking for new subscribers in 1996 to total 400,000, with about half that number signing up in the first six months.

There was no interim figure reported last year, but the fullvear loss was £175 million pretax. No dividend is expected at this half year as the group continues to develop its network.

BSKYB: Renegotiation of the Premiership football contract and a move into the European pay-TV market has kept shares in BSkyB. the satellite broadcaster, bub-

More positive news is expected by the City when the group reports year-end figures tomorrow. Pre-tax profits for the year to June are expected by analysts to



Stocking up good results: Argos's Mike Smith will deliver more for investors

leap ahead to £255 million, a rise of 56 per cent, on turnover 28 per cent ahead to almost El billion. Analysts also predict a strong dividend increase, from 2.5p to 6p, from BSkyB, where News International, publisher of The Times has a 40 per cent stake.

MERSEY DOCKS AND HAR-BOUR COMPANY: The continuing labour dispute at Mersey Docks will again be in the spotlight when the company announces its interim figures on Wednesday. The return of ACL. the container group, to Liverpool in July, a month after its original decision to switch to Thamesport, helped Mersey shares to recover some lost ground. But after nearly a year, the dockers' dispute continues to have an impact on the port's growth. Pre-tax profits of £18 million, up from £16.8 million last year are expected, with the dividend raised by 10

MARLEY: The building materials group reports half-year fig-ures on Wednesday. Analysts are

expecting pre-tax profits to slip below last year's £24 million to between £20 million and £23 million, with the dividend unchanged at 2.1 pence.

Challenging conditions in the UK building industry are making life difficult for Marley although there may be more positive news from the US.

The results come after Marley disposed of its automotive components businesses. This netted about £81 million, allowing the group to cut gearing and provide some cash for small acquisitions.

RENTOKIL GROUP: Fresh from tending 20,000 tropical plants at the Olympic Games, the burgeoning pest control to business services group reports inter-

im figures on Thursday. The health of the plants in Atlanta is likely to be of less concern to the City than Rentokil's progress in getting to grips with BET, which it acquired after a fierce £2 billion bid battle earlier this year. Pre-tax profits of £138 million, up 39 per cent are expected, helped by a strong contribution from former BET businesses. However, underlying profits may show a less buoyant picture, reflecting slower sales growth in the UK and difficulties in the US and Europe. A dividend of 1.5p is forecast, up from 1.2p.

GOLDSMITHS GROUP: News of strong watch and jewellery sales is expected from the retailer on Thursday. Halfabout £50,000 although with the all-important Christmas trading period to come, full-year profits estimates have been upgraded to about £5.7 million.

In addition to solid sales growth, news is expected on a number of initiatives. These include a link with Norwich Union to replace lost or stolen items covered by the insurer's policies and a store card now being tried out in the group's shops.

DAWSONGROUP: Flat demand and stiff competition are likely to flatten interim profits at the truck and bus rental business. Pre-tax profits, due on Thursday for the six months to June, are set to skid nearly 50 per cent lower to £2.75 million, reflecting the company's continued dependence on the troubled trucks market.

Dawsongroup has diversified into new areas and the outlook for divisions such as cold store transport, buses and coaches looks promising. The dividend is forecast to be held at 2p and analysts are upbeat about profits recovery from 1997, which should be helped by Dawsongroup's strong balance sheet and by economic recovery finally reaching the group's markets.

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Focus on US and Germany

THE spotlight this week will be beyond British shores, with key meetings sched-uled for both the US Federal Reserve and the Bundesbank to discuss interest rates. The financial markets believe that the

Federal Open Market Committee, which meets on Tuesday and Wednesday, will leave US rates unchanged. Some signs of slowing economic momentum in the third quarter and more evidence of subdued inflationary pressures convinces most analysts that the Fed will stay its hand.

There is much more uncertainty about the prospect for German rates when the Bundesbank's policy-making council meets on Thursday. A number of senior Bundesbank officials hinted last week that they were concerned about the sustainability of economic recovery in Germany, that the strong mark was not comfortable and that expectations of a further drop in M3 money supply might leave the way open for a cut in the key money-market repurchase rate.

Both M3 figures and a July business sentiment survey from the Ifo economic institute are due to be published this week, most likely before the Bundesbank meet-ing. A Reuter poll of forecasts shows an average forecast for July M3 of 8.8 per cent annualised growth, down from 9.6 per cent in June. The Ifo survey is expected to show a small improvement in sentiment.

In Britain, the focus is likely to be July retail sales on Wednesday. According to a consensus of market forecasts by MMS International, sales are expected to have grown by 0.4 per cent, after jumping by 1.3 per cent in June. Other figures include the release tomorrow of July figures for M4 money supply, and bank and building society lending. On Thursday, the Confederation of British Industry releases its monthly trends survey, coinciding with revised figures for second quarter gross domestic product. The quarter's growth is expected to be unrevised at 0.4 per cent.

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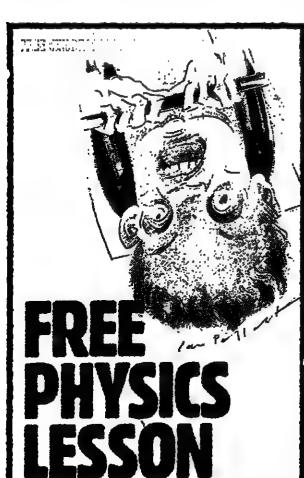
Chairman may go as **Hill Samuel integrates**

By JON ASHWORTH

MORE redundancies are ment, asset finance, and priexpected at Hill Samuel, the merchant banking arm of Lloyds TSB, which is being integrated into the bank's mainstream operations.

John Sclater, chairman, and John Macgregor, deputy chairman, are among about 150 employees expected to go. A further 400 staff are likely to lose their jobs by the year-end. Hill Samuel's asset managevate banking arms have been integrated. The corporate finance arm went to Close Brothers and project finance team to Charterhouse.

Hill Samuel was bought by TSB for £777 million in 1987. but incurred a £422 million loss after rash lending and had to restructure. It returned to profit, but lost its role after the Lloyds-TSB merger.



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Investors await first valuation details on Hanson demerger

By CLARE STEWART

HANSON, the favourite conglomerate of yesteryear, will present a sceptical investment community with details of the first half of its long-awaited

demerger this week. Listing details on Millennium Chemicals and Imperial Tobacco are expected on Friday, to launch flotations due to take place on October 1.

Since announcing its plans at the start of the year to split four ways into chemicals, tobacco, energy and building materials. the drip feed of data from Hanson has built up the corporate picture on each division.

This week's information sent out to shareholders will. however, bring the picture into sharper focus, with details on the expected market value and on the cost of the demerger exercise, which could be up to £100 million. Last week third-quarter fig-

ures showed a bigger than expected fall in profits from Hanson's US chemicals business. These prompted analysis to rejig their forecasts ahead of the demerger. Nigel Utley, at Greig Middleton, has cut his valuation for Millennium Chemicals to about £1.85 billion while expecting profits of £300 million this year.

Investor interest in the group will focus on the impact of higher prices being achieved at Quantum Chemical, which makes specialty polymer chemicals, as well as on recovery at SCM, which makes titanium dioxide.

Millennium will have a US listing, which is likely to limit its practical appeal to UK

The chemicals group comes with about £1.3 billion of debt. It also has, in effect, an electric fence around it to keep opportunistic predators at bay during the demerger process, though not necessarily at a later date. "It is purely to prevent someone buying the comany on the cheap." Christopher Collins, deputy chair-

man of Hanson, said. Greater interest from UK investors is expected for Imperial Tobacco, which will be quoted in London. A valuation of about £2.58 billion is expected for the group which owns top-selling cigarette brands such as Superkings, Embassy and Lambert & Butler, and has about 38 per cent of the UK market. Imperial's share of the Hanson debt is £1.05

With no sales into the US. the group is exposed to fewer tobacco litigation risks. Investors will also be attracted by the promise of an attractive yield, strong cashflow and the possibility of a bid for the business in the future.

After Millennium and Imperial have flown the Hanson nest, the energy division comprising Eastern Electricity and the Peabody mining business will be preparing itself for takeoff in early 1997.



Best foot forward: John David Sports, the JD leisurewear retailer, is to seek a full Stock Exchange listing in the autumn that could value it at more than £70 million. Named after John Wardle, chairman, left, and David Makin, chief executive, it has grown from one sports shop, opened in Bury, Lancashire, in 1981, to a chain of 57. Success came by switching from sports goods to fashion footwear. In the year to March 31. pre-tax profits rose from £4.4 million to £6.7 million on sales up from £37 million to £56 million. BZW is adviser.

BSkyB steps up drive for **BBC link**

BY ERIC REGULY

BSkyB, the satellite broadcaster, is doubling its efforts to form a pay-TV joint venture with the BBC after sensing that Flexiech, the cable and satellite programmer, may have take

the lead in the talks. Media analysts believe that BSkyB, 40 per cent owned by News International, publisher of The Times, has emphasised that it can guarantee the BBC the broadest audience. BSkyB, the country's only direct-tohome broadcaster, has 5.5 million subscribers and plans to launch as many as 200 digital channels by the end of 1997. Moreover, BSkyB could predict what revenue the BBC could receive from the new channels with the "pence-persubscriber" formula.

Flextech, satellite TV experts said, would have trouble giving such assurances because of its "middleman" status. Flextech can finance development of the channels and package them. but would have to negotiate with BSkyB to get them on BSkyB's multichannel packages. Otherwise, riextecn would have to lease its own satellite transponder space.

Flextech, having negotiated with BBC Worldwide, the BBC's commercial arm, hopes to strike a deal in the next three months. The BBC's new satellite channels would be devoted to subjects such as natural history, arts and drama.

Flextech seems to have two advantages, observers say. Firstly. Tele-Communications Inc., its half owner and America's biggest cable company, with about 15 million subscribers, could provide US coverage for some of the new BBC channels. Flextech, observers said, may also be more "politically acceptable" because it does not have as big a share of the media market as BSkyB and News International.

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Attractions in being overweight

simple statistical model shows that ten-year UK gilt-edged yields are strongly influenced by two key factors — UK short rates and world bond yields - and that they are twice as sensitive to world yields as to UK short rates. Since the opportunity for further UK rate cuts is all but over and, absent some crisis, Kenneth Clarke is not about to raise them, world markets will drive gilts for the rest of the year.

The good news is that the outlook for the world's largest market has turned positive. Already there are signs that US growth is moderating after a strong first half, and there is little to stimulate the economy. Real short rates are only half a percentage point below last year's average: the structural budget deficit has declined by 0.5 per cent of GDP in two years: the dollar has gained some 9 per cent in real terms over the past 15 months; and real oil prices rose by nearly 20 per cent between July 1995 and July 1996. Real GDP growth could slow from 26 per cent year on year in the second quarter of 1996 to say 12 per cent by mid-1997.

Real yields in the US are closely

linked with real growth. Although

inflation may edge up, in spite of

slower growth, the balance of forces

suggest lower US bond yields ahead. The prospects are not so rosy for bunds. Growth should continue to pick up, and there is limited scope for lower German inflation and short rates. However, where Treasuries lead, bunds should follow. albeit unenthusiastically. The bad news is that the gilt-edged market tends to follow bunds more closely than US Treasuries. Over the past three years the correlation has been 77 per cent with bunds and 56 per cent with Treasuries. Thus, world yields may move lower, dragging gilt

However, bunds will probably underperform Treasuries and gilts under-perform bunds. So far so bad. But, relative to the rest of Europe gilts should be one of the better performers.

There are three reasons.

yields with them.

First come budget concerns related to European monesary union. European growth, though picking up, remains sluggish and is incompatible with the fiscal tightening necessary to meet the 1997 deficit goals of most European countries. Each of the big four European markets is in for a difficult budget ride. In Germany, local governments have cautioned that they in the first half of the year, gilts are well

France, trying to push through further expenditure cuts, is swimming against an undercurrent of social tension; Italy's coalition Government is strain-ing under the weight of continued austerity and deteriorating growth prospects; and in Spain the discovery of a 721 billion peseta hole in govern-ment finances has set back the Government's assault on the deficit.

As we move further into the Budget season, these tensions will mount. Uncertainty surrounding the euro will grow and its credibility will come under GILT-EDGED renewed scrutiny. In

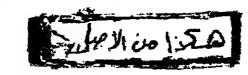
such an environ-ment, safe haven considerations will support bunds, but gilts should also benefit as investors diversify into calmer UK waters.

Second come currency considerations. In the past year a weakening mark has supported European convergence. But, as the US economy slows and German growth comes on stream. changing interest rate expectations are likely to push the mark higher. This will drive a further wedge between German and other continental yields. Having missed the convergence train

placed to benefit from any setback. Finally, gilts are cheap on standard valuations. In the year to date, the local currency return on gilts has been a meagre 2.6 per cent, making them the worst-performing European market in the JP Morgan global bond index. Further underperformance is only likely to add to gilts' relative attractiveness. Real yields, in stark contrast to most other European markets, are also above their average of the past ten years; on such valuations, Italian and French bonds look particularly stretched. And the correlation between short-term and long-term interest rates since 1987, over a full business cycle. suggests that gilts are better value than most European alternatives.

The performance of gilts may not match that of US Treasuries or German bunds in the second half of the year. But compared with most other European markets, gilts should do well. To maximise returns while spreading risk, there is still a good case for overweighting portfolios towards gilts in the months ahead.

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Thorn plans expansion after split

By Sarah Cunningham and Alasdair Murray

THORN, which is due to start trading as a separate company on the Stock Exchange when Thorn-EMI demerges this norning, is planning a large expansion of its Crazy George's rental chain in the UK and will open its first branch in France later this year.

Crazy George's rents electri-cal and household goods, including furniture, by the week to families with an average annual income of £9,000. Premium rates are charged because there is no minimum rental period.

Thorn opened the first branch of the American-style Crazy George's in April 1994 and it now has more than 44 stores, concentrated in the North of England. It hopes to expand at a rate of 30 to 50 branches a year, until it has 275 stores in the UK. It is to open its first in France, at Bobigny, north of Paris, later this year, according to Mike Metcalf, chief executive of Thorn. He then hopes to

and the Benelux countries. Analysts are expecting Thorn shares to open at between 390p and 420p, valuing the company at about £1.8 billion. It will rank as the fifth or sixth largest quoted nonfood retailer. Analysts estimate the company will invest about £800 million to £900 million the bulk of it on goods to rent out - over the next two years.

expand into Spain, Germany

Thorn's other main UK operation is Radio Rentals. EMI shares are predicted to start trading at between £13.80 and El4.20 a share and analysts say the price could still move forward in coming months on the back of takeover rumours. Speculation

that an independent EMI would quickly fall victim to a takeover have circulated for more than a year. Seagram. the Canadian drinks and media company that owns MCA, has been tipped as the most likely bidder.

But Sir Colin Southgate, who is chairman of both companies, played down bid speculation last week, saying that he had not received an approach from a rival company in the past year. Some observers also believe that the speculation has already pushed the share price too high for a takeover offer. Shares in Thorn EMI have climbed from under £10 to Friday's close of £18.33p in the past 18 months.



The Crazy George's name, best known in the North of England, will soon be found in France as Thorn prepares for growth on the Continent

Looser company controls lead to big leap in fraud

By Jon Ashworth

FRAUD in Britain has taken a big leap because layers of middle-management have been stripped out, according

to a leading accountant. Adam Bates, fraud investigation partner at KPMG, said that flatter management struc-tures introduced in the wake of the recession had removed many important controls.

Never taking a holiday is one of the danger signs, according to Mr Bates, who says fraudsters need to be around constantly to cover their tracks. Staff who work evenings and weekends with no

apparent result are also worsuppliers who heap inappropriately generous gifts or hosthy of suspicion. Employees who lead extravagant lifepitality on staff. This may styles, or are known to have fiindicate the payment of large nancial problems, are among sums to influence the granting of contracts. other prime candidates, according to a list of warning

when an office or division is facing closure, or when an employee has repeatedly been passed over for promotion. Suspicions also point to staff who always appear to generate good results when others

are struggling to meet targets.

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Lastly, come those superiors signs compiled by KPMG. Frauds are often committed who use anger and sarcasm to bully staff into submission. They may attempt to obstruct investigators by claiming that transactions are part of a secret and sensitive scheme known

only to a few in the company. KPMG reckons that more than two thirds of large-scale fraud is committed by, or with. the complicity of employees.

Thistle checks in for £1.5bn October float

THISTLE HOTELS, Britain's second largest hotel group, is expected to confirm that it is coming to the market in a flotation valued at up to £1.5 billion (Jon

Ashworth writes). The group, controlled by Brierley Investments of New Zealand, and formerly known as Mount Charlotte Hotels, is likely to seek a listing in October. Robert Peel, This-tle's chief executive, is expected to give details when he unveils the latest interim results this week. The decision to float reflects the continuing recovery of the UK botel

ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT MARKET

DBS to leave AIM for main market

By Alasdair Murray

DBS Management, a network of the tax benefits available to for independent financial ad-AIM companies. Mr Davy said that, because visers, will next month be-DBS was not intending to come the first company to move from the Alternative

Investment Market to a full

soured to 372p, valuing the company at nearly £30 million.

Ken Davy, executive chair-

man, said that part of the

reason for the move was that

the company was treated for

tax purposes as a financial

services company and conse-

quently had not received any

stock market quote.

raise any more capital, the move to the main market would cost about £400,000. DBS was floated on the AIM He said: "The ALM flotation in July last year with the shares has been successful in raising priced at 145p. They have since the company's profile. But we believe a main market quote would raise it further and help

us to continue our growth." Mr Davy has seen his 25 per cent stake in the company rise in value to nearly E7.5 million. DBS provides insurance and mortgage lending as well as training support to IFAs.

Burns on board at QPR

Sir Terence Burns, permanent secretary at the Treasury. is to become a director of Oueens Park Rangers, the newly demoted Nationwide League first division football

He has been a season ticket holder of the West London dub for 20 years and was at Manchester University with Chris Wright, who recently bought QPR and is putting it together with Wasps rugby union club.

Sir Terence will be nonexecutive, so there is no likelihood of the team being cut

Logica wins £3.5m deal

Logica, the IT outsourcing specialist, has secured a £3.5 million deal with Airport Co-ordination Ltd taking responsibility for its IT systems and staff. The deal is Logica's third in the aviation sector

It already manages the Civil Aviation Authority's research operations, and runs the computers for the on-route air traffic control centre in Hampshire. It will be told later this year whether it has succeeded in its bid for the 1T systems of the new "Oceanics" air traffic control centre. which is being set up to control all air movements in the North Atlantic area.

German plea

Germany's construction industry is calling for higher public infrastructure investment. Otherwise it forecasts 6,000 insolvencies this year and 100,000 more job losses. Otmar Franz, management board chairman of Strabag Bau, the construction group, and head of the construction industry association, said: "A rich country like Germany must be able to afford these

Turbulent Firecrest nurtures reputation

easier at 58p. Capital & Western, the

After a merger, the group

joining the growing number of AIM-listed AIM specialabout £250,000 in small companies that are planning to

pany at £5.7 million.

Fraser Nelson

FIRECREST, one of the Alternative Investment Market's least predictable stocks, against Capital & Western's lived up to its reputation as the wild card of the junior exchange last week with the of its second nominated adviser, Singer &

Merriii Lynch has been tipped as a candidate for the job, but City sources say that Firecrest's turbulent history with its past advisers has made few firms willing to accept its hand this time. Its shares fluctuated wildly during the week, finishing 2p

property group, is bowing out of the market, having decided to become a property-cum-Internet stock. In AIM's first internal takeover, Capital and Western has bought Ballynatary, an AIM-listed rival, and Global Internet, the technology group.

will return to AIM late next month as the Internet Techcurrent share price of 23 p. This week's new issues include Gabriel Trust, which is ists. A mini venture capital group, it invests sums of

ioin AlM within a year, then sells its stake when they join. Trading starts at lop on Wednesday, valuing the com-British Bloodstock, which

trades racehorses on behalf of clients, has announced its intention to move to AIM. Last year it sold Generous, the 1991 Derby winner, to a Japanese buyer for £9 millon. It will join in a direct transfer. raising no new money.

Overall, trading continued to gather pace over the week, with the FT-SE AIM index rising from 1060.00 to 1070.60.

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North Flinders Mines Shareholders

On 7 August 1996 Normandy Mining Limited (ACN 009 295 765) forwarded a takeover offer dated August 1996 to shareholders of North Flinders Mines Limited (ACN 007 688 093) to purchase their shares.

The offer was accompanied by a Part A Statement. The offer will close at 5 30pm (Australian Eastern Standard Time) on 9 September 1996 (subject to any extension).

If you are a North Flinders shareholder and have not received Normandy's offer documents, please call Normandy immediately on freecall 0500 893 634

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WORD-WATCHING

(b) A member of a genus of flies belonging to the order Diptera, family Asilidae; a hornet-fly, hawk-fly, or robber-fly. From the Latin asilius a gad-fly. "The great, smooth, black and red Indian

(a) The sea-fish Coracinus capensis (family Coracinidae): also several related fish of that family. Afrikaans from the Dutch word for a galleon. "In fine weather many a galjoen is landed on those rocks.

(c) A land-owner or chief in northern Borneo, the Philippine Islands, and some adjacent areas. Malay data a ruler, Tagalog dato ruling head of a clan. "The Resident and four Datos were lined up there to greet him."

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ill it take a change of government to end the growing scandal of share buybacks? So far this year, according to figures monitored by Kleinwort Benson, quoted companies have cut their equity capital by almost £3 billion by buying shares selectively in the market. Since the beginning of 1995, buybacks have totalled some £4.8 billion. These buybacks alone have

in tax subsidies in just 20 months. In a closely related fad, several more billions of pounds have been despatched generally to shareholders as "special dividends", often, especially in 1995, as currency for takeover bids. Though harder to calculate, special dividends may have cost taxpayers another £500 million, mostly in subsidies to help to finance takeovers.

cost taxoayers more than £1 billion

In principle, it is a healthy trend for mature companies with cash to spare and insufficient good investment opportunities in their own business to hand the surplus back to their shareholders rather than wasting it by diversifying into trades they know nothing about. Investors can divert the money to growing companies eager for capital to back new ideas and exciting projects in their own fields of expertise - even if this has not happened in practice.

Buybacks might be seen as a different form of the purist, but impractical, theory that companies should pay out all their profits each year and then compete in the market

THE

Sounds of

CULTURAL change has beset the British Bankers' Associ-

ation since its move to new

high-tech offices in Old Broad

Street from the genteel woodpanelled surroundings of

Lombard Street. The old building, with its nooks and partitions, could cope with the

chorus of computer call sig-

nals after an electronic circular had been sent to staff, but the new open-plan office clearly can't. So the computers

have been silenced - Bach's

Ein feste Burg ist unser Gott. a favourite among BBA employees, is no more. Waiting ne callers lose Mozari

but will be serenaded with

THORN EMI shareholders who attended Friday's EGM

on the demerger received two

gifts: from EMI, a classy CD of

duets and arias sung by opera

superstars Roberto Alagna and Angela Gheorghlu: from

Thorn, a frankly un-classy ballpoint pen. Will these con-

trasting levels of generosity affect the loyalty of sharehold-

ers who today receive equal

numbers of Thorn and EMI

Group shares? If there is a lot

of swapping from Thorn into

EMI in the next couple of

A LANGUAGE barrier has

been scaled neatly by Arcona.

the UK developer. Inviting the

head of Despa Fonds, one of

Germany's largest pension

funds and owner of the Lloyd's

building, for a "topping out"

ceremony of Arcona's new

60,000 sq ft headquarters in

Times Place this September

could have caused misunder-

standing. To persuade Despa

Fonds to join the champagne

ceremony the colloquialism

has been translated to "kissing

THE first night of Orfeo ed

Euridice, Gluck's sublime op-

eral met with a rousing re-

sponse. Which is something

of a relief for sponsor Stan-dard Life, which was origi-

nally in line to fund a saucy play from Barcelona — until

it was found to be "rather too

full of nudity". Dame Shirley

Porter certainly seemed to

enjoy it. Let's hope Alistair Darling, Menzies Campbell and Donald Dewar — all

guests of Standard Life -

also appreciated the work of Mark Morris. the much-fêted

choreographer.

the building".

days, you will know why.

German kiss

baroque music.

Write on

silence

This costly tax abuse has become too gross

if they want to raise more capital to reinvest. This argument has doubtless been used to pull the wool over the eyes of naive Treasury ministers too lazy to read beyond their political

advisers' juvenile briefings. Worthy motives have played a genuine part in several cases, including Reuters, Barclays, Boots, which got out of pharmaceutical development, and the big two power generators, which have been obliged to slim down their businesses to make room for new competitors. But that is not half the story.

Most schemes are smart financial engineering driven by tax calculations. Many companies want more capital, but borrow it instead, claiming the interest against tax. Most buybacks are forced on companies big fund managers, which use the threat of takeovers to boost their own short-term performance in a cut-throat market. Apart from true capital repay

ments, cash or shares paid by a company to its shareholders count as a distribution for tax purposes, whether by way of ordinary divi-dend, special dividend, share dividend or repurchase of shares. Companies pay advance corpora-



tion tax, but can set this off against mainstream tax: shareholders pay more or less according to their tax position. This means that shareholders exempt from tax, chiefly pension funds, charities and investors in personal equity plans, can claim back the imputed 20 per cent dividend tax. Up to limits, buybacks are therefore targeted entirely at big pension fund managers.

This is unfair to taxpayers. It is also unfair to other shareholders. Smaller charities and self-administered pension funds are beginning to complain that they are being left out. unless they use the big fund managers. Most private shareholders do

all shareholders' interest, normally, it is argued, because tax savings raise earnings per share for all. But the lucky funds get the big benefits, sometimes along with directors whose bonuses are geared to total returns. Neither the Stock Exchange nor the City Takeover Panel, both now dominated by narrow interests, seem to care.

At least these tax schemes aid the worthy cause of helping pension funds to provide income in retirement. As readers of The Times have pointed out, it is dangerous to knock any pension fund tax privileges because they are vital and people who should know better are queuing up to attack them. Experience iggests, however, that abuse leads to legitimate tax breaks being questioned as a whole.

Members of pension schemes, though benefiting from buybacks in the short run, should therefore hope that, even at this late stage, the Chancellor might be stirred from his supercilious lethargy to take some action in his autumn Budget. If not, an incoming Labour Chancellor might use these high-profile abuses as an excuse to raise much greater

revenues in a hidden way by taxing away all of the pension funds immunity from tax on dividends.

This is not as far-fetched as it seems, even when Labour is keen to promote private pensions. Rememher, for instance, how financially insignificant pay peccadillos of some utility bosses have been used by Labour to mount an indiscriminate attack on utility shareholders, the very people who have to fund boardroom pay and perks.

Doubtless, Treasury ministers will be as reluctant to admit costly mistakes as they have been over the vast tax losses from abuse of profitrelated pay schemes. But they might be pushed harder.

Departmental colleagues who find their popular spending priorities axed by the Treasury should ask the Chief Secretary why taxpayers are unwittingly paying out these vast subsidies when dying pensioners are being kicked out of hospitals. Backbenchers, constantly told there is no money for tax cuts, should ask why income tax extracted from floating voters is being frittered away in this fashion.

With careful drafting it should be easy to stop taxpayers funding the worst abuses of buybacks and the use of special dividends in takeover bids. For all but small companies, there could be a simple rule that tax cannot be reclaimed on a distribution that is, in form or substance, a consideration for shares. Buybacks would then be judged on their pure

pointed that the Government has taken

tax off the agenda. It means that they

are fighting the battle of fiscal tighten-

ing with one arm tied behind their

back. It was a silly move because it is

implicitly acknowledging that the cur-

rent tax system is all correct, and

clearly it is not. Clearly a goods and

services tax is one area of reform that

needs to be looked at. One of the big

growth areas is the service sector,

which is largely escaping the sales tax

net. It is a big area of revenue that is just not being collected by the

Of just as great concern as what the

Budget unveils is the question of

whether the Government will be able

to get its tough measures through the

Senate, the upper house of Parliament,

The opposition Green and Democrat parties have already given warnings that they intend to block key elements

of the proposed spending cuts, with

Cheryl Kernot, the Democrat leader.

saying: "I am becoming increasingly

disillusioned and angry about the way

in which the Howard Government is

practising politics. The coalition is

going down the same belligerent.

arrogant, cynical and dishonest path as

That has left Mr Howard desperate-

ly scrambling for an additional two

votes and prompted Peter Costello, the Treasurer, to give a warning that the recent interest rate cut of 0.5 per cent

could be reversed if the budget is not

Mark Darling, senior economist with First Pacific, the stockbroker.

says: "Most of the concerns at the

moment are not about the contents of

the Budget itself, they are about the

Government's ability to get approval for them. The Senate is a problem and

we anticipate that some of the mea-

sures simply won't get through. It will

probably take until well into October to

get the Budget passed."

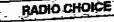
And that could see any euphoria in

the financial markets quickly turn to dust as investors race to lock in their

passed.

in which it does not have a majority.

Government.



THE TIMES MONDAY AUGUST 19 1996 RADIO CHOICE No hampings No happiness on this isle

The Monday Play: Iona Rain. Radio 4, 7.45pm.

Peter Moffat's bleak play is set on what an ancient rhyme calls "St Columba's happy isle". Though literary quotations adorn the script, "happy isle" is not one of them. Moffat's Hebridean island is as "happy isle" is not one of them. Moffat's Hebridean island is as deficient in happiness as it is rich in sanctity and ruins. Mentioning ruins brings me to long Rain's five characters. Three of them are schoolfriends, reunited after 20 years. Their boyhood days have scarred them. There is no possibility that the hope expressed in their host's toast — "May you all leave infused with the island's magic" — will be fulfilled long Rain left me feeling as if I had been fed into a minimum machine.

BBC Proms 1996. Radio 3, 1.00pm and 7_30pm.

Some Prom performances you can never forget. There was one last year — the Oslo Philharmonic under Mariss Jansons playing Sibelius's Second Symphony. The fabulous Norwegians are back again, this time under Manfred Honeck Last night it was the Mahler No 5. Tonight it's the Dvořák From the New World. Bartók's Music for Strings. Percussion and Celesta, and the British premiere of Alfred Janson's Interlude for Orchestra. Will this be another treasured memory to add to our store? Earlier today (1.00pm) the Oslo Philharmonic's wind players give a concert at the British Oslo Philharmonic's wind players give a concert at the Britten Theatre which is in the Royal College of Music in London: two Haydn works and Dvořák's Serenade, Op 44. Peter Davalle

RADIO 1

Simon Mayo 11.30 Radio 1 Roadshow, five from the Rugby Club in St Ives 12.30pm Lijea I'Anson 2.00 Nicky Campbell 4.00 Clive Warren 7.00 Evering Session 9.00 in Concert Phoenis '96 Live performances recorded at last month's lestinal in Long Marston near Stratford 10.00 Mark Radditte 12.00 Mary Anne Hobbs 4.00em Charite Jordan

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11.30 Jimmy Young 1.30pm Debble
Thrower 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.05 John
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7.30 Melcolm Laycock, with Damas
Band Days 8.30 Big Band Special 9.00
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RADIO 5 LIVE

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TALK RADIO

6.30am Paul Ross 10.00 Scott Chis-Tommy Boyd 5.00 Peter Deeley 7.00
Sports Zone 10.00 James Whale
1.00em Ian Colins

WORLD SERVICE

All urnes in BST. News on the hour, 5,30am Europe Today 6.30 Europe Today 7,15 Poems by Post 7,30 Andy Kershaw 8.15 Off the Shelf 8.30 The Today 7.15 Poems by Post 7.30 Andy Kershaw 8.15 Off the Sheff 8.30 The Virilage Chart Snow 9.15 20/20 9.45 Music Through Stained Gless 10.08 Busness 10.15 Anything Goes 10.45, Sports Reundup 11.30 BBC English 11.45 Off the Sheff 12.30 Omnibus German 1.15 Britam Today 1.30 Andy kershaw 3.05 Outlook 3.30 John Peel 4.55 Sports Brundling 4.15 BRC English Nershaw 3.05 Culloof 3.30 John Peel 4.05 Sports Roundup 4.15 BBC English 4.30 News In German 5.30 Business, 5.45 Britain Today 6.10 World Today 6.25 Take Rive 6.30 News in German 7.30 Brain of Britain 9.01 Outlook 9.25 Words of Faith 9.30 Multitrack. Hit List 10.05 Business 10.15 Britain Today 10.30 Legal Rights, Legal Wrongs 10.45 The World of Computers 11.30 World Today 11.45 Sports Roundup 12.10am Take Rive 12.15 Record News 12.30 Today 17.48 Spris Hourdup 12.10am Take Rive 12.15 Record News 12.30 Multitrack; Hit List 1.30 Global Concerns 1.45 Britain Today 2.30 Outlook 2.58 Words of Fatth 3.30 Mendian 4.15 Sports Roundup 4.30 Europe Today

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CLASSIC FM

4.00am Mark Griffins 6.00 MW Head 9.00 NIck Bailey 12.00 Susannah Simons 2.00pm Corperto Bruch (Clannet and Viola Concerto) 9.00 Jamie Cnck 6.00 Newshight 6.30 Sonats Haydn (Keyboard Sonata No 59 in Eliati major) 7.00 Celebrity Choles (r) 8.00 Evening Concert Eneecu (Pornaran Rhapsody No 1 in A); Janacek (Moln Concerto); Dvořák (Czech Surie); Uszí (Plano Concerto No 1 in E fielt); Eneecu (Orchestral Surie No 3) 10.00 Michael Mappin 1.00am Mel Cooper

VIRGIN RADIO

6.00em Russ 'n' Jone 9.00 Richard 6.90am Muss in John Mark Tandon Skinner 12.00 Graham Dene 4.00pm Nicky Horne 7.00 Paul Coyte (FM) / Robin Banks (AM) 10.00 Mark Forrast 2.00am Randal Lee Rose

RADIO 3

6.00am On Air. Includes Rimaky-Korsakov (Sheherazada); Finzi (Edogue); Dvohak (Overtura: My Homeland); Mendelssohn (String Symphony No 6 in E flat); Hahn (La jour; La paix; Les stolles: La souvenir d'avoir chanie, Rundels); Herachal (Sonala in D, Op 4 No 4) 9.00 Morning Collection with Schumann 4.30 First Bass, Alvn Shinton continues his profile of the bassist Ray Brown (4/6) 5.00 The Music Machine, with

Peul Gambaccini, includes Tchaikovsky (Polonaise, Weltz, Eugene Onegin); Mozart (Ach Ich fuhl's, es ist verschwunden, Die Zauber-flote); Chopin (Piano Sonata (Temara) 7.30 BBC Proms 1996, See

in C minor, Op 4), Haydn In C mnor, cp 4), Hayon (Ham Concerto No 1 in D)

Musical Encounters, Includes Armstrong Gibbs (Dusk, Fancy Dress Suite)

10.07 Proms Artist of the Week Anne-Sophie Mutter, violin, Brahms (104 Handel In G. Op 76) 16 34 Handel in G, Op 76) 10.34 Handel (Laudste puerl, HWV 237); Spohr (Nonet in F, Op 31)

11.24 German (A Gypsy Suite); Stoelius (Serenade, Op 69 No 1) 12.00 Composer of the Week: Alban Berg 1.00 Proms Chamber Music

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1996, See Choice The Oslo
Phihamonic Wind Ensemble
Haydn (Divertimento in C, H il
7); Dvořák (Serenade in D
minor, Op 44); Haydn
(Divertimento in F, H il 23)
2.00 The BBC Orchestrus, BBC
Symphony Orchestra, under
Gunther Herbig With Uto
Ughi, violin Hindemith
(Symphonic Metamorphoses),
Bruch (Violin Concerto No 1
In G minor), Beethoven (Symphony No 3 in E flat, Eroica)

3.45 Votces. Roderick Williams, baritone, and David Wilcham, plane, perform songs by Schubert, Mozart, Reger and Schubert, worten

Wheen, includes Byrd (John come kies me now); Thalberg (Fantasy on Mozart's Don Glovanni, Op 14); Belakirev

Choice Live from the Albert Hall in London Oslo
Phahamonic Orchestra,
under Manifred Honeck,
Bartók (Music for Strings,
Parcussion and Calesta) 8,000 Poetry Proms, with readings from Simon Armitage, Glyn Maxwell and Jon Statworthy 8.35 Proms Part 2. Janson (Interlude), Dvořák

(Interlude), Dvořák
ISymphony No 9 in E minor,
From the New World)

9.45 Reading Keats, Merina
Warner reflects on La Belle
Dane sans Merin

10.00 Ensemble: Bealthoyen and
his Contemporaries.
Introduced by Paul
Hindmarsh Peter Hill and
Benarnin Feter Hill and Benjamin Frith, pieno duel. Beethoven (Three Marches, Op 45). The Lindsay Quartet

Hummel (String Quarter in G. Op 30 No 2) (3/4)

10.45 Milking it, with Mark Russell and Robert Sandail

11.30 Composer of the Week: Beethoven (r)

12.30am Jazz Notes, with Darby 12.30am Jazz Notes, with Digby

Fairweather
1.00 Through the Night

RADIO 4

5.55am Shipping Forecast (LW only) 6.00 News Bristing 6.10 Farming 7oday 6.25 Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today incl 7.25, 8.25 Sports News 7.45 Thought for the Day 8.40 The Diary of a Nobody, by George and Weedon Grossmith Read by Arthur Lowe (1/5) (r)

8.53 Weather
9.00 News 9.05 North of
Watford. Sean Railerly and
guests discuss minority
languages in Ireland,
Scotland and Wales (2/3)
10.00 News; Big Bang (FM), with
Jez Nelson. A look at the
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10.00 Daily Service (LW)
10.15 On This Day (LW)
10.30 Wormin's Hour
11.30 Inside Money. What would like be like for small investors under a Labour government?
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12.00 News; You and Yours, with Chris Chol

12.25pm Brain of Britain 1996.
Chairad by Robert Robinson

12.55 Weather

1.00 The World at One, with Nick

1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 2.00 News; Leurel and Hardy, by Torn McGrath The classic comedy duo become trapped in a radio studio With Robbte Collirane as Oliver and John Sessions as Slan (r)

3.00 The Afternoon Shift.

The Attention Strift.
Presented by Laurie Taylor
With Julie Wheetwright
News 4.05 Keleidoscope.
Paul Gambaccini Issens to e

new recording of Bartók's Bluebeard's Castle and reports from Edinburgh on the Satire of the Four Estates

4.45 Short Story: Dream Horse, by Martin Malone. A young man refives the triumphs and joys of his dead lather's life Read by Conleth Hill 5.00 PM 5.50 Shopping Forecast 5.55 Weather 6.00 Six O'Clock News 6.30 Old Harry's Game. The linal part of Andy Harration's cornedy series set in Hell. With Andy Harration, James Grout and Jimmy Mulville (r)

Grout and Jimmy Mukille (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 One for the Pot. Lionel
Kelleway catches and
smokes fresh eel, dresses it
with wild watercress from the nverbank, and washes it down with river-chilled

champagne (J/4) (r)
7.45 The Monday Play: Iona
Rain. See Choice
9.00 Just a Part of the Furniture:
The Mantelpiece. Clare
Jenkins takes a look at what
furniture can reveal about
people's fives (3/3) (r)
9.30 Kaleidoscope (r) 9.59
Weather

Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with

10.45 Book at Bedtime: Washington Square, by Henry James Read by Tom Wilkinson (6/10) 11.00 No illusions Francine Stock

11.00 No Illusions Francine Stock presents a late-night discussion programme exploring the Issue of indecency (3/5).

12.00 News incl 12.27am Weather 12.30 The Late Book.
Slaughterhouse-Five, by Kurt Vonnegut, abridged by David Buck, read by Bob Sherman (1/10) (r) 12.48 Shipping Forecast 1.00 As World Service

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Budget pain down under

rather rude awakening tomorrow when its new coalition Government unveils a painful A\$8 billion (£4 billion) package of spending cuts in an attempt to haul the country's budget back into surplus inside two years.

For the past five months the expendi-

ture review committee has been scouring the economy for any signs of excessive spending and the long-awaited Budget will be the first real indication of where its priorities lie.

For Australians, having a budget surplus will be something of a novel experience. Apart from the fiscal years from 1987-88 to 1990-91, Australia has had a budget deficit every single year since records began in the early 1960s. Not surprisingly the financial markets have been taking the prospect rather well: the bond market has railied

strongly over the past few weeks. Steven Koukoulas, a Citibank economist, says: "I don't think there's any doubt that financial markets and international investors like countries that have a tight fiscal policy and quite frankly there aren't too many around. The clear financial market implication is that the Budget is going to be very well received."

Others, however, are taking the prospect of an A\$8 billion cut in government spending rather less well. and, in an attempt to soften the blow. John Howard, the Prime Minister, has taken the unusual step of releasing a few key details before the official announcement tomorrow so that the nastier bits do not overshadow the big day itself.

Miners and farmers have been spared the planned abolition of the diesel fuel rebate, worth about A\$1.25 billion, which would have seriously undermined the profitability of the gold-mining sector at a time when it can least afford to absorb extra production costs

Rather less fortunate, however, have been higher education students, who have found themselves facing budget MORAG PRESTON | cuts of some A\$1.8 billion over the next Australia's coalition Government is poised to

swing the axe tomorrow, ushering in a

period of fiscal restraint, says Rachel Bridge

four years, with operating grants to be slashed by more than A\$632 million, and the Aboriginal community, which is to have A\$400 million cut from its budget over the next four years. Even ABC, the government-funded tele-vision broadcaster, will be on the receiving end of A\$87 million worth of

cuts over the next two years. Other than that though, economists admit that they remain largely in the dark as to where else the axe will fall. Stephen Roberts, chief economist with UBS Australia, says: "The remarkable part about this Budget, which has had one of the longest gestation periods of any budget ever, is that we're still none

the wiser as to what's really in it." The unhappy result, some econouncertainty, which has had a destablising effect on the economy. Mr Roberts says: "Confidence has really been impaired over the past few months and economic activity has fallen back because people have been living with this potential horror for so long. Uncertainty about what is going to happen to grants and benefits has led to a conservatism in both business

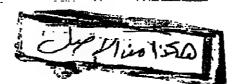
and the household sector." Indeed, where the Government has gone wrong. Mr Koukoulas argues, has been to limit itself to achieving a budget surplus through spending cuts alone, after Mr Howard pledged in his election campaign not to introduce new taxes or to increase existing ones in his first term of office.

Mr Koukoulas says: "We are disap-



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Five babies not offered a multiple choice

premonition or a slice of luck meant that I did not A review a documentary about the Dionne quintuplets at the first attempt to show it on July 24. In television, things are usually all right on the night but that night horrible transmission problems afflicted the film.

Such was the public outcry that Inside Story: Miracle Babies was rescheduled and shown last night on BBC2. Bad luck has rurned into perfect timing: between the original date and now there has arisen the controversy over Mandy All-

wood, who is expecting octuplets. As of today, octuplets have never survived, anywhere in the world. But as of May 28, 1934, nor had quintuplets. All five of the identical Dionne girls, born that day to a farm wife in Ontario, survived into adulthood and three are still alive. Theirs is a salutary story.

They were effectively taken over at birth by the family doctor, a Great Depression, yet money was found to build a special hospital for the Diannes in their home town. Their doctor feared infection but their isolation was to make them into a freak show.

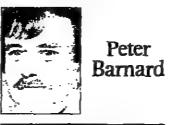
By the age of two, the Dionnes were earning C\$200,000 a year in sponsorship deals from clothes to toys. So enormous was the public interest that new roads were built into the area. The public was kept at a distance and a local store rented out binoculars.

In the first few years of the quins' cloistered lives, three million, yes, three million people from all over the world visited Cecile, Annene, Yvonne, Emily and Marie. An observatory was built close to the hospital: people filed in, spent a few minutes staring at the girls and filed out. By the time they were nine years old, the quins had been outside their compound just three times.

parents? They were given "occasional access" at the "discreparents? tion of the doctor". Cecile, speaking now, in halting tones, says: "We didn't know our mother. We couldn't miss her because we didn't know her. It was not normal. We didn't have any preparation to contact the world. The things we missed were important: love, happiness, a family.

The Dionnes were, at one point, made wards of the Ontario government. Later. in their teens, the girls rejoined their parents and siblings in a huge house built from the proceeds of C\$1 million given by the Ontario government. But it was a disaster. the five were as strangers to their

Before that, when the quins were aged 12, a special school was created, run by nuns. There were 14 pupils: the quins plus nine "handREVIEW



picked" girls. This was hardly a natural life, but it was better than

Two of the quins are dead. Emily died aged 20 after an epileptic fit and Marie was found dead in her flat, aged 36, after years of serious drinking problems. Of the survivors. Cecile and Annette married the first men they met and are now divorced. Yvonne, the most reticent of a reticent trio, never

married. All three now live together. They have very little money.

They are suing the Ontario government for C\$10 million, alleging that Ontario "exploited them as children". I make no comment about that, or indeed about anything else. The strength of this outstanding documentary was that it told the story unemotionally. In this matter, conclusions are redundant, judgments pointless. But of lessons there are plenty.

The rest of the weekend television paled by comparison, but I must mention Dancing in the Street (BBC2, Saturday), the tenpart history of rock 'n' roll which ended on Saturday night with a trip through the 1980s developments of hip-hop and rap.

This has been a magnificent series, a genuinely definitive history of the genre produced by Hugh Thomson of the BBC's features department in Bristol. The timing marks 40 years of rock, if you accept the 1956 ascent to the top by Elvis Presley as rock's launchpad.

There have been nuggets throughout. On Saturday we learnt that Madonna's first single was put out without her picture because the record company hoped people might think she was black Conversely, when MTV, the 24-hour rock video station, was launched in the early 1980s it refused to feature black singers. It relented only when a record company threatened to withhold other singers unless MTV accepted a Michael Jackson video (Jackson was black, then).

ut what the heck were the B schedulers playing at? The series was perfect material for an autumn Sunday evening slot, so why was it transmitted on summer Saturdays? The BBC must think a rock history appeals to middle-aged stay-at-homes, so they put it out when the young

are, er, dancing in the street. The other weekend notable was a gimmicky Brainspotting (Channel 4. Sunday) in which the quirky actor-performer Ken Campbell explored the differing perceptions of science and philosophy on the issue of artificial intelligence.

The Australian philosopher Frank Jackson did not appear, but was credited with the best illustration of why a computer can never be like a human being: because no computer can develop true awareness. Jackson invented Mary, a woman dressed in black and white who spends her entire life in a black and white room becoming an expert on the physical basis of colour vision.

Mary, like a computer, may understand red, but she cannot have an awareness of what it is like to see the colour red. Philosophy 1, Science 0. Game over. Close the door on your way out, Mr Compu-

Tell 1 6.00am Business Breakfast (24068) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (Ceefa) (51567) 9.00 Breakfast News Extra (Ceelax)

(2878345) 9.20 Delia Smith's Summer Collection: The Summer Kitchen Garden (r) (Cestax) (s) (7495616)

9.50 Gourmet Ireland (s) (5839616) 10.20 FILM: Robin Hood (1973) Disney's cartoon version of the classic tale Includes news at 11.00 (Ceetax) (8596345)

11.50 Lifetimes in a Day (8593797) 12.00 News and Weather (1521432) 12.05pm The Alphabet Game (6) (4791635) 12.36 Neighbours (s) (6539838)

1.00 News and Weather (58426)1.30 Regional News (42813987) 1.40 Small Talk (r) (Cestax) (s) (58852093) 2.10 Lovejoy (r) (Ceelax) (s) (4756613)

3.05 Unspeakable Verse (r) (7642529) 3.20 The Flying Doctors (9050426) 4.50 Knots Landing (r) (s) (2805203) 5.35 Neighbours (r) (Ceetax) (s) (174722)

8.00 News and Weather (Cealax) (906) 6.30 Regional News Magazines (258) 7.00 The Good Food Show. A gastronomic tour of freland; the secrets of a successful barbecue; brendy-snap baskets (s)

7.30 The Rentzen Report: Speaking up for Geoffrey. (3/3) This week's programme features the story of Geoffrey McConnell. a vound man with cerebral palsy, who dled as a result of being left unattended in a beth for almost an hour (Ceefax) (s)

8.00 EastEnders. Felix has an unusual gift for Robbie and Simon has an unexpected visitor. (Ceefax) (s) (8093)

8.30 Oh Doctor Berching! Opportunity. May wants to leave Hatley but Jack and Cecil have very good reasons why she should stey (4600) 9.00 Nine O'Clock News; Regional News;

Weather (6857) 9.30 CHARLES Out of the Blue. The squad have to confront their own prejudices when a men is seriously saulted on a local estate (Ceelxx) (s)

10.25 The X Files: The Erlenmeyer File. The police are battled when they fail to recover the body of a wounded fugitive chased into a take Meanwhile, working on a tip-off from Deep Throat, Mulder and Scully discover a strange case involving the cloning of extraterrestrial viruses. Ar the two cases somehow linked? Is the truth really out there? (550068)

11.10 Match of the Seventies. The story of the 1978-79 season was one of British success in Europe and and of a change in the face of the domestic game (Ceefax) (s)-(122109)

11.50 FILM: Blue Lightning (1986). A San Francisco private eye is hired to retrieve a precious jewel called the Blue Lightning. The only problem is that it is currently owned by a vicious murderer. Directed by Lee Phillips (131987)

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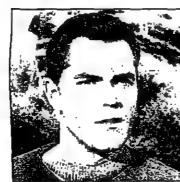
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4.00 Cartoon (5441548) 4.05 Fudge (3201109) (r) (Ceetax) (s) 4.30 11'll Never Work (155) 5.00 Newsround (Ceelas)

5.10 Sara (Ceetax) (s) (4174155) 5.35 Parelympics with Helen Rollason Action

from Atlanta includes finals in tencing. Judo, cycling, swimming and athletics (s)

Star Trekkers. A seves of short films celebrating the 30th anniversary of Star Trei, television's most famous sci-fi programme (s)



Jeffrey Hunter se Capt Pike (6.25pm)

6.25 Star Trek. The original pilot episoda (r) (9991600) 7.30 Gower's Cricket Monthly from New Road, Worcester. A round-up of all the latest cricket news is) (884)

8.00 International Athletics (s) (94769364) 9.40 Timewatch: Karnak — a Hidden History. With the help of state-of-the-art computer reconstruction programme reveals the hidden history of the great temple at Kamai. (r) (Ceefax) (962109) Followed by Video Nation Shorts

10.30 Newsnight (Ceefax) (248451) 11.15 Edinburgh Nights. Emma Freud presents highlights from this year's lestival including a rare interview with the American actor Sam Shepard (306074)

12.05em Grace Under Fire (5822391) 12.30 The Learning Zone: Open University: News Stones (83198) 1.00 Linking Inso the Future (57846) 1.30 An Introduction to Psychology (97952) **2.00** Summer Nights, Book Lover Collections 1 (81575) 4.00 Languages When in Haly/Diez Temas (44204) 5.30-6.00 BBC Focus RCN Nursing Update (31223)

CHOICE

Star Trek: The Cage BBC 2, 6-25pm

What can potential producers have made of this pilot episode? It's being shown again to celebrate the 3th anniversary of Gene Rodenberry's 1960s creation (another programme tonorrow) and we all know what a cult that became. But pre-Spielberg and pre-Lucas there just wasn't the expertise for the special effects nor, one suspects, the budget. And this unintentionally hilarious story gets little help from the pokerfaced Jeffrey Hunter - captain of the Starship Enterprise and soon to be replaced by the marginally less wooden William Shatner, Still, Trekkies will love it. Here, in embryo, are typical leatures of later treks the moral philosophy — even among aliens — the rod to other historical times (a Crusader castle and a touch of Vlad the Impaler) and, comfortingly, Mr Spote (Leonard Nimoy) looking as characteristically bemused as ever.

If I Were Prime Minister: Germaine Greer Channel 4, 8.07pm

Germaine Greer rounds off the series with, one trusts, her witty tongue in her cheek. Can she really believe that prisons should be replaced by dyeing the shaved heads of minor criminals and facially branding the major ones (e.g. "R" for rapist)? The Howard League for Penal Reform puts up a spirited defence against this one. But perhaps she is on firmer ground by wanting to abolish "humiliating benefits" and "pay people for whatever they do". And, that instead of welfare, we should all get a single lump sum at the age of 18. But what about vasectomies for all young males - after they have stored their sperm until they are mature enough to use it properly? Greer sees "the complete collapse of all known structures" as a prerequisite for her premiership.

Sex and the Scientists Our Brilliant Careers Channel 4. 9.00pm

If this series hasn't undermined the received wisdom that nearly all scientists are men. then nothing will. It concludes with three illustrious, winkly old birds, two of whom, at 75 and 90, are still white-coated and working. Dr Helen Muir's discoveries on how and why osteoarthritis affects joints and tissues took her to the Kennedy Institute for Rheumatology in London which she ran for ten years. Dr Alice Stewart's conviction that radiation can cause more cancer than we are prepared to admit infuriated Oxford land the nuclear industry) and she was denied the professorship she richly deserved. Dame Rosemary Cartwright, %, is the first woman Society. Her work with radar paved the way

Out of the Blue BBC 1.9_30pm

Writer Peter Bowker fields some neat lines the stodgy-ish (but keen as a whippet) CID boss Eric Temple (John Duttine) telling his CU-W dozy-seeming crew filluminate my darkness is typical. And there is darkness in this third of an above-average police series: it concerns a gay rape and DC Ludlow (Peter raped, I can tell her she's safe - that I'm here to protect her." he says. "I koked at Terry Forrest lithe victim placed by Tom Craigl and what can I say? What can I offer him? The gays of South Yorkshire are evidently a lough lut and they have to be when the local community turns vigilante. Meanwhile, since you ask. DC Allen's (Durrell D'Silva) steamy affair with suspect's daughter Lucy (Nicula Stephenson) continues apace . . . Can this be wise? Elizabeth Cowley

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6.00am GMTV (4974432) 9.25 Halfway Across the Galaxy

(7498703) 9.50 Hope and Gloria (5751834)

10.20 ITN News (5077242) 10.25 Regional News (Teletext) (5076513) 10.30 FILM: Stacy's Knights (1983) Cornedy starring Kevin Costner and Andra Milian.

Directed by Jim Wason (40417884) 12.20pm Regional News (1527616) 12.30 ITN News and weather (6525635) 12.55 Shortland Street (6437426) 1.25 Coronation Street (6294426) 2.00 Home and Away (87261890)

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5.10 Our House (\$561451) 5.40 ITN News and weather (974819) 6.00 Home and Away (170567)

6.25 Regional News (257180) 7.00 The List with guests John Francome and Joe Pasquale (1513) 7.30 Coronation Street.

proposition for Joyce (838) 8.00 Classic Cooper. Tonight the comic is joined by Diana Dors (3161)



Who's Somy Now? there is a sudden death in the family after a sheep larmer threatens his wife and children. And in The Women in Grey a woman abandoned by her mamed lover finds herself condemned by her own words (8567)

10.00 ITN News at Ten and weather (Telefeld) (61631) 10.30 Regional News (Telelext) 10.40 Limited Edition: Wish You Were Here? Local history through postcard art (t)

(253432) 11.10 inner Journeys: Elaine Heller (2/2) (r) (313364)

11.40 Tropical Heat (r) (299616) 12.40em Bushell on the Box (3138488) 1.15 The Crime Hour (633933)

2.15 FILM: The Lady Forgets (1989) starring Donna Mills and Greg Evigan, A woman disappears after an accident, only to return home two years later unable account for her absence Directed by Bradford May (986876)

4.05 Jones and Jury (64763778) 4.30 The Time... the Place: Sins of the Father (r) (65865)

5.00 The Entertainers: Roy Castle (r)

5,30 ITN Morning News (35049)

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> 10.40 Film: The Dead Pool (23194451) WESTCOUNTRY

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10.30 Murder, She Wrote (5035180) 11.25 14 Weddings and a Divorce (9290635) 12.55pm Home and Away (6437426) 1.25 Just a Minute (83048242) 1.55 A Country Practice (89778884) 2.20-3.20 Blue Heelers (2051285)

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2.20 FILM: Portrait of Clare (1950, b/w) An elderly woman recalls her romantic life. Directed by Lance Comfort. (Teletext) 4.00 Australia Wild (r) (Telelext) (567)

4.30 Countdown. (Teletext) (s) (451) 5.00 The Montel Williams Show(Teletext) (s) (8637451) 5.45 Snapshots (r) (964432) 6.00 The Cosby Show (r) (Teletext) (518) 6.30 Boy Meets World (Teletext)

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8.00 If I Were Prime Minister: Germaine Greer. The last in the fantasy politics series (Teletext) (s)

8.30 Strictly Dancing. (2/6) The development of Sequence Dancing. (Teletext) (s) 9.00 GHORE Sex and the Scientists The final programme of the series that looks at whether the gender of a



André Braugher as Pembleton (10pm)

10.00 Homicide — Life on the Street. Baltimore police drama series. (Teletext) 11.00-2.30em Letino Nights: Letin Best

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Pay awards point to fall in inflation

By Christine Buckley, industrial correspondent

AN UNEXPECTED slowdown in pay awards has given a powerful boost to the Government's anti-inflation

Pay awards in manufacturing fell back to an average of only 3.2 per cent in the three months ending in July, from 3.5 per cent in the previous three months to end April, according to figures from the Confederation of British Industry's databank.

The CBI figures, which are regarded as a good guide to trends, also show that pay awards were down on the 3.3

A CAMPAIGN to stop char-

ities being disadvantaged by

the current spate of share

buybacks is gathering mo-mentum. Charitable fund

trustees want the Stock Ex-

change to change the rules

to stop large institutional

investors being given oppor-

tunities to profit from

buybacks when others are

excluded. Several MPs have

written to the Treasury, ask-

Alan Diamond, a stock-

broker who has led the

lobbying for a change of rules, said: "When a major

ple decides to launch a rapid

buyback of its company's

shares for cancellation, to

enhance future earnings per share, the immediate effect

is an enormous disadvan-

tage to smaller gross funds

Recent examples of rapid

buybacks include Boots,

NatWest and Barclays. The

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ing it to intervene.

per cent average for the same three months in 1995.

In the fifth year of economic expansion, the labour market is therefore contributing to stable prices rather than stoking up inflation. But a second survey today suggests that industry could face a winter of

pay strikes. Economists will draw heart from the solid concentration of pay deals. In the year to end July, three quarters of manufacturing awards were be-tween 2.5 and 4.5 per cent, with most in the lower half.

problem arises because

most companies who buy

back shares do not make

formal tender offers to all

registered shareholders. In-

stead, they instruct their

corporate brokers to ap-

proach institutional fund

managers. Smaller gross funds such as charities or

self-administered pension funds are excluded because

they cannot react as quickly

as large institutions. Selling shares back is very

lucrative because funds can

claim a 20 per cent advance corporation tax refund on

the shares sold. The Stock

Exchange has responded to

a letter from Mr Diamond

by saying that "no change in

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Gross fund trustees would

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Four manufacturers in ten between 2.5 and 4.5 per cent . However, the fourth annual Charities seek buyback equality

> years, the lawyers claim. Nearly a third of companies surveyed expect industrial action over the next year, and more than two thirds of

the Dibb Lupton survey, said increased industrial action could be linked with an economic upturn. "People are becoming a bit more confident about their positions and are

The survey, of 130 com-panies, 50 public-sector em-ployers and 50 unions, also found that unions were prepared to take strike action earlier in a dispute but rarely had to do so.

deductions from low pay in

told the CBI that awards had been held back by their inability to pass on cost increases. One in four said that low inflation was also helping them to keep pay in check,

helping to complete a virtuous circle of falling inflation.

Pay accelerated slightly in service industry deals in the latest three months, averaging 3.6 per cent, up from 3.5 per cent in the three months to April, but down from 3.7 per cent in the same period a year ago. Two thirds of service industry awards struck in the past 12 months were also

industrial relations survey from Dibb Lupton Broomhead, the employment lawyer, suggests that frustration among employees at pay re-straint could break out into strike action just as after-tax pay starts to rise in real terms. Britain is facing its worst "winter of discontent" in industrial relations for many

unions predict an increase in David Bradley, co-author of

more willing to take action."

☐ The proportion of workers joining company pension schemes has been eroded by "steady attrition" to 87 per cent since the Government made membership voluntary in 1988, a survey by Incomes Data Services suggests. In some firms. 100 per cent of elgible employees join schemes. In others, take-up has fallen to 30 per cent as newcomers try to minimise

jobs they regard as insecure.



Aiming to win: a racehorse is led past Christo Phillipson, left, and Peter Bickmore, heads of British Bloodstock, which is seeking a listing AIM, page 41

Final US hurdle for Lloyd's

RON SANDLER, chief executive of Lloyd's of London, is due in an American court today, at the opening of a case that poses the last big obstacle to the market's recovery plans. About 100 American names have launched an action in Richmond, Virginia, seeking an injunction on the Lloyd's reconstruction and renewal (R&R) scheme. Lloyd's could be forced to rush in contingen-

cy plans if the action is upheld. The move comes as a new MORI poll suggests 85 per cent of UK names support R&R, up from 82 per cent prev-

merger of Britain's largest

crippling price war on cross-

Channel routes are set to get

Lord Sterling, chairman of

P&O, the largest cross-Chan-

nel ferry operator, is expected

to contact senior executives at

Stena, the second-biggest

player, within days to discuss

a formal meeting.

Last month the companies

were given the go-ahead to

under way in September.

lously. Only 4 per cent indicated they would not accept R&R, with its accompanying £3.2 billion litigation settlement offer. Names have until noon on Wednesday, August 28, in which to return their settle-

ment offer acceptance forms. Mr Sandler has been called as a witness in the Virginia case, which turns on whether R&R is in violation of US securities laws. Judge Robert Payne, the district judge presiding over the case, had asked the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) for its opinion on the securities issue.

Ferries set for merger talks

By Jonathan Prynn, transport correspondent

by Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade. If both

sides can agree to talk, a deal

could be in place for the start

of the main holiday season

sliced during intense competi-tion sparked by the opening of

the Channel Tunnel. One

operator, Britanny Ferries,

had to abandon plans to offer

tickets at 1976 prices to mark

its 20th anniversary this sum-

The firms have seen profits

next Easter.

TALKS that could lead to a negotiate - after a 17-year ban

The SEC voted on Friday to remain neutral, saying it "re-grettably" could not get involved. Neither will it be drawn on whether Lloyd's membership

constitutes a security.
It had been argued that the case should be heard in America on the grounds that federal securities laws superseded contracts between Lloyd's and the American names. Lloyd's has moved to dismiss the case on the grounds that its contract requires US names to bring their case before an English court.

The names are seeking an

mer when it discovered fares

have fallen by more than a

centre around merging time-

tables to cut down on depar-

tures and reduce ferry over-

capacity on the prime Dover to

Calais route. Lord Sterling is

under intense City pressure to

improve the returns from fer-

ry operations and would like

P&O's interim results in mid-

September.

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Initial talks are expected to

injunction to stop Lloyd's from getting them to accept the plan until details of Equitas financing have been disclosed. They say they viewed Lloyd's investments as "securities", and US

disclosure laws must apply. Victory in Virginia could deny R&R of \$280 million due from 2,700 US names, compelling Lloyd's to reconsider its options. The rescue scheme would either have to be put on hold, or rejigged to take ac-count of the "missing" US funds. Lloyd's almost certainly has contingency plans in

In the latest in a separate raft of US actions, a judge in Tennessee has denied a re-quest for a broad temporary injunction seeking to block the making of settlement offers to Tennessee names. Instead, Lloyd's must give 14 days' notice of intention to draw down on names' assets - a ments reached in 38 other

☐ The last big UK threat to the Lloyd's rescue was removed last week, when the Paying Names Action Group failed in a High Court attempt to block R&R on the grounds that it was unlawful. The PNAG must decide today whether to take its case to the Court of Appeal.

Trocadero targets tourists

By Alasdair Murray

THE Trocadero aims to prove it has completed its transformation from a rundown site in London's Piccadilly Circus when it relaunches tomorrow.

The leisure complex has undergone a £50 million revamp that includes installing an atrium and banks of video screens inside to create a futuristic feet.

SegaWorld, a £45 million games centre, is due to open in September, offering 650 games and amusements tareted at tourists.

Over the next year, a theme café, based on Marvel comic characters such as Spiderman. Captain America and the Incredible Hulk, is also due to open. The complex will ma in London, and other attractions based on characters In Enid Blyton stories.

The Trocadero has benefit ed from being hived off from the Burford property group last autumn as a separate AIM company. Trocadero shares closed on Friday at 77p, valuing the company at £385 million, against a 35p

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Parenting costs in a class of their own

DROPPING your five-yearold off on his or her first day of school may tug at the heart strings but it will also certainly pull at the purse strings.

According to a report out today, the typical expenditure parents face as their child journeys through their primary and secondary years is a staggering £62,691.59. Increased mortgage pay-ments, caused by needing a

larger house, account for the biggest single expenditure (£19,716). Other major expenses in the primary years come in the form of food, pets. eating out and clothing, and in the secondary years, food, entertainment, sports, presents, clothing and pocket money.

The combined cost of primary and secondary schools covering uniform, sports gear, equipment, field trips and the odd school holiday comes to £4,661, assuming the child is educated in a state school. Not far behind are Christmas and birthday presents along with parties and the occasional impulse gift purchases (£4.514).

Even from the tender age of five there is a massive gap between the haves and the have-nots. What Price a Child? - commissioned by Asda, the supermarket group
— says that the bottom 10 per cent of spenders will pay out £23,869 over a decade, while the top 10 per cent will spend £187,125. Both sets of parents will receive the same amount of child benefit, which over the years adds up to £6,177.

As well as spending less on



Uniforms add to the bills

most items, the lowest spend ers are reported to forgo cating out, pocket money, school field trips, eyecare and paying for haircuts. extra phones and home contents and life insurance. The extra cost to the top 10 per cent comes mainly from

private schooling.

The costs for second and subsequent children are not reflected in the report.

Adding in costs for toddlers and teenage students from previous What Price a Child?

reports, the average family will spend a total £100,513 on their child from conception to the age of 21, even allowing for child benefit. Poorer parents get by on £39,305, while the top 10 per cent of spenders splash out £295,669.

Cybertec in video venture

Cybertec, a British multimedia communications com-pany, has signed a £4 million deal with Anglo Corporation, which, it says, will bring affordable video conferencing

to consumers this autumn. Anglo gets exclusive UK distribution rights to Cyber-tec's V-COM colour video conferencing kits, retailing at £299, including VAT.

Cyberiec's system uses standard personal computers and provides real-time video conferencing over standard phone lines, International video phone calls can also be made over the Internet for the cost of a local call.

Profit worry

British corporate profitability is still less than two thirds of pre-recession levels, with little sign of recovery, according to the latest CCN Corporate Health Check. Profitability peaked in the second quarter of 1995 and has not moved since. A decline in exports has not been compensated for by increased consumer activity. CCN said that investment has fallen below the most pessi-mistic forecasts and predicted liquidity problems. Services show the most progress in recouping profitability.

Black lager

Guinness has confirmed that it is testing market response to a new black lager, but says that no decision has yet been taken on whether to launch the product. The drinks group typically runs tests on up to a dozen different products around the world at any one time. A spokesman said: "Not every product we test makes it into the real world,"

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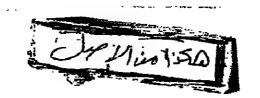
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Fall from grace in a seaside hotel



Continuing our occasional series, The Times unravels a tale of doomed, illicit love between a privileged but naive young wife and a dashing prince

orn 18 months after her father distinguished himself as a national hero at Trafalgar, Jane Digby enjoyed a golden childhood at Holkham Hall, one of England's great houses. She was an intelligent and affectionate child; a mischievous tomboy who metamorphosed into a head-turning beauty. This and her aristocratic background established her as "a catch" when she made her debut at 16, and within weeks she was engaged to the highly gible Lord Ellenborough.

Wellington, would become a Cabinet Minister and, subsequently, Governor-General of India At 34, he was more than twice Jane's age; a handsome. sophisticated and serious politician who had been widowed early and now longed for a son. The marriage began blissfully, with the newlyweds writing flowery verse to each

other daily. But Ellenborough was a highly ambitious workaholic and besides had a long-established mistress. After her son was born, Jane, the teenaged châtelaine of two impressive establishments, was increasingly left alone.

When she met Prince Felix Schwarzenberg at an Austrian Embassy ball, it was love at first sight for both. Discretion went unheeded as they were seen riding in Rotten Row, in his box at the opera, at the races. Harley Street residents became used to seeing Lady Ellenborough's groom waiting outside number 73, where the prince lived.

Had she been older and more sophisticated. Jane might have averted disaster after the lovers spent a night together in Brighton and made the name "Lady Ellenborough" synanymous with scandal for decades ...

MARY LOVELL

JANE arrived at the Norfolk Hotel just as the winter light fading at about five o clock. She was shown to the suite of apartments in the east wing which she and her husband often used. Entrance from the main part of the hotel was by a staircase which led nowhere else other than to staff quarters. Arthur was brought to her and, as babies will, h ging not seen his mother for wéeks, threw a tantrum. A little later Jane dashed off a note to Ellenborough at Rochampton:

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Brighton, Friday night (postmarked 7 February 1829) To Lord Ellenborough Connaught Place, London

Dearest Oussey, I am just arrived, and will only write you one line as Lam tired to death with my journey, the roads were so heavy. I found Arthur looking really pretty — you may believe it if I say so and appears to me much improved in strength, but he greeted me with such a howill We shall improve upon acquaintance.

If you go to Mrs Hope's wnight, have the thought to make my scuses to save me the trouble of writing them. The post is ringing. Good

Felix arrived at the hotel between six and seven o'clock in a hired yellow-bodied chari-driven by a post-boy. He alighted from the coach carrying his cloak and a carpet-bag which bore his coat of arms and initials, and was shown to

Felix said goodnight and went up to his bedroom.

was sitting in his pantry. heard someone coming down

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a room in the west wing. This room was approached by the centre stairway from the main hall of the hotel. Having settled in and had his luggage unpacked by a member of the hotel staff, he took dinner in his private sitting-room and as the waiter was clearing away he asked casually who else was staying in the hotel at this unseasonal time of year. He was told Lady Ellenborough was in residence. "Is that the dowager Lady Ellenborough?" the prince inquired. "No," was the answer. It is the young Lady Ellen-borough." The prince asked the waiter to take his card to

the lady with his compliments. Within a short time, the waiter returned to the prince with the message that the lady would be delighted if, after the prince had dined, he would take tea with her in her room. The waiter personally served tea to Lady Ellenborough and her guest and noted that they remained together until halfpast ten, when the prince left to return to his sitting room. Requesting the waiter to fetch a bedroom candle and light it.

At about midnight the hall porter, Robert Hepple, who

Mr Hepple followed him and watched as the prince entered Lady Ellenborough's bedroom without knocking. The door was closed and the key turned in the lock. After peering through the keyholo and listening for 15 minutes at the door, Mr Hepple formed his own opinion of what was happening within. He re-turned to his pantry. When he retired at 3am, the prince had not yet reappeared. Next morning Hepple was summoned to the prince's room and asked to press some clothes.

t about 9,30am the prince descended to the hotel sitting room, where he joined Lady Ellenborough for breakfast. Although it is not possible to say for certain what Jane and Felix spoke of over breakfast, it is possible to guess that one subject under incident which had occurred in Jane's bedroom earlier that morning. Mr William Walton. the proprietor's brother, who was responsible for waiting on the suite of rooms in the east wing, took it upon himself to tell her ladyship that his colleague, Mr Robert Hepple. had confided in him what he had seen and heard the previous night. Mr Hepple felt that the information ought to be communicated to Lord Ellenborough, a frequent guest in Jane was taken by surprise

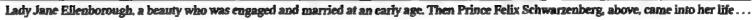
but did not panic, relying upon her ability to charm the opposite sex. She admitted "that what she had done was

TOMORROW

At the age of 50, Jane finds love in the desert with an Arab sheikh

Scandalous Life, the Biography of Jane Digby by Mary S. Lovell is published by Fourth Es-





wrong" and she did not wish the main stairs. He walked across the hall foyer, which anyone to learn about what was illuminated by gas lighthad transpired. Begging Walion not to repeat what he had ing, and saw the prince descending the stairs. As soon as told her to anyone, especially the prince saw the porter, he not to her maid, she then gave retreated back up the stairs. him "a present" of Hepple was keen to know

what a person at that time was Not surprisingly. Walton promised wishing to do and kept out of sight for a while. To ensure his silence in rethat he was not seen, he bu sponse to such genout the light in his pantry. His erosity. It was not vigil was not long. Within ten often he received a or 15 minutes the prince, still tip that equalled half a year's wages. wearing the frock coat, frowsers and boots" in which he subse quently gave Hepple £5 of it. had dined, softly descended the stairs, crossed the hall and went along the passage leadprince ing to the east wing's private

watched Jane depart at 11 o'clock with her small retinue before ing letters he had received he also left at about noon in the hired chariot for London.

WITHIN weeks Jane discovered she was pregnant. There

was no doubting the paternity of her second child, since, although she had a bed in the marital bedchamber, she and Ellenborough had not enjoyed sexual relations for some months at her own

recruest. Meanwhile, re-Jane ports of Jane's flagrant behaviour relied had finally begun to make an impresupon her sion on Ellenborough, especially ability to Henry related goscharm sip which reflected unfavourably upon a man her. Too late, Ellen-

> the sense of warnstrongly urging him to spend more time with his young wife. At first his concern showed itself in requests for Jane not to visit those very people to

borough accepted

whom he had introduced her. At length he received a letter from one Robert Hepple, a former employee of the Norfolk Hotel in Brighton. Unfortunately. £5 had not seemed sufficient reason for Mr Hepple to keep his lordship uninformed about Lady Ellenborough's delinquency; he felt his knowledge might be worth more to her husband. The

letter contained information

which, though he was reluc-

tant to believe it, Lord Ellenborough could not ignore. When Ellenborough confronted his wife with the contents of the letter, Jane confessed, but only partially. She admitted her attachment to Felix, though not the full extent of it, and she denied the act of adultery in Brighton. This was foolishness taken to an absurd degree, for she could not have hoped to hide

her condition indefinitely: and

at the date of this discussion she must at least have suspected her pregnancy. Jane's first thought was to

Edward, Lord Ellenborough, circa 1831

rush to Felix and lay her problems upon his broad shoulders: but she got little comfort from him. Apparently realising for the first time the predicament in which he was now placed, the prince was appalled. He saw clearly that the matter could cause a minor diplomatic incident and the end of his promising career. He immediately reported the matter to his ambassador and was given 48 hours to put his affairs in order, pack and leave for home, pending an imminent transfer to the Paris embassy

On May II, 1829 Felix left for Europe, telling Jane he had no alternative but to accept his new posting and suggesting that, since she could not confess her pregnancy, she should

rough's permission to go abroad to be confined in secret. He would, of course, do all in his power to assist her in this delicate matter. His suggestion was not made coldly; he was, according to his letters, still very much in love with Jane. Yet, whatever protestations of love Felix made to her, the fact remains that he rode off leaving his pregnant young mistress to face public condemnation and her husband's wrath for the sake of his career.

ntil comparatively recent years The Times was renowned for its conservatism, and for its front page which consisted of classi-fied advertisements. In May 1966, when the front page was changed to a news format. there was an outery. However, there was a precedent. One hundred and thirty six years earier, in April 1830, the Editor placed the Ellenborough divorce case on the front page with a verbatim report,

Hepple was leading witness for the prosecution and testified what transpired after the prince entered Lady Ellenborough's room at midnight.

Q Did he lock the door after A He did.

Q Did you still watch him? A I waited a short time at the door ... a quarter of an hour the first time: then I went again ... and remained there, I daresay, nearly an hour. Q How near to the door?
A Quite close . . I heard two

persons talking, a man and a woman in the room ... the language was foreign to me, it was not a language I under-stood at all.

Q Did you hear anything more? A I heard him get into bed . . . and I heard them kissing. Q What did you hear then? A I could hear them kissing. and a noise that convinced me that the act of cohabitation was

taking place.

For weeks Jane's misdemeanours were breakfast tittletattle of the entire country. Respectable women would sit in their own drawing rooms and read shocking revelations about Lady Ellenborough's conduct such as those of Mr John Ward, the Prince's neighbour in Harley Street, who testified that Jane was a frequent visitor to the house opposite, disguised with a white veil. Sometimes, he said, he saw her in the upper-floor room which faced his drawing room.

Q Have you ever observed anything in particular passing between them? A On one occasion I saw Prince Schwarzenherg assisting in dressing the lady.

Q in what state was the lady at this time? A The Prince was lacing her

Jane was not present at the hearings. She had bolted to Europe to join Felix in time for the birth of their daughter. In doing so Jane made herself a lifelong social outcast.



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ANTI-SEMITISM IN EUROPE X

Six years after the collapse of Communism, racist tones are creeping back into the political vocabulary in central and eastern **Europe. Roger Boyes investigates**

A brave new world for Jews in Germany

BERLIN: AN OASIS IN THE WEST

five-year-olds have bomb and bullet-proof doors of the new Jewish school in Berlin; it is like shifting the stone lid of a tomb. Inside the finely designed building, however, there is nothing of the crypt. For the first time in more than 50 years there is a vibrant Jewish life in Berlin — thanks, in part, to the anti-Semitism of Eastern Europe which has driven Jewish families to seek the improbable shelter of the German capital.

They are confident about the future, these pony-tailed offspring of Russians and Ukrainians. The English class of seven-year-olds have pinned their essays on the classroom walls. "I would like to be a film producer when I am 16 and live with my boyfriend in Italy." writes one ambitious girl. Boys want to grow up so that they can play basketball with Michael Jordan or own a Ferrari.

leksander has a face like z ploughed field: earthy brown with deep parallel furrows marked not so much by suffering as by the effort of opening and half closing his eyes in hard

supshine. It is a country face, for Oleksander came from a farm to noisy, dirty Kiev. Home was a one-street village drained of memory by centu-ries of emigration. When Oleksander's wife died there

from these noisy. lively corridors and from the kosher canteen, there is the white villa on the Wannsee Lake where the destruction of European Jewry was planned by the Nazis. The newly reopened Jewish grammar school meanwhile is no more than a stroll from the unmarked plot of land where Hitler had his bunker. The influx of Jews from the east has made possible these juxtapositions; Euro-. pean Jewry is re-forming, rediscovroots, building new communities - and perhaps stir-

ring up new enemies This summer marks a sinister anniversary — it is precisely 900 years since the massacre and pillaging of the Jewish settlements down the Rhine Valley - Speyer. Worms, Mainz, Cologne — and on to Prague. The violence was prompted by the declaration of the First Crusade by Pope Urban and the conviction of the knights that



Jewish life

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infidels living on Christian territories" should be the first to be destroyed. The bloodshed of 1096 — Jews were offered a choice between Christian baptism and the sword, prompting thousands to kill themselves - has branded generations; so too have the myths of that epoch. Nine centuries on, anti-Semitic texts in Ukraine, Russia, Slovakia, the Baltic Republics and Poland play with the same imagery: of Jews ritually murdering children. of hook-nosed usurers, the equation of Jews with Satan.

Not much attention is paid by ordinary people to these rabid writings. But a straw poll conducted by a Polish newspaper in November, 1990, produced opinions like these even from educated people . . . Malgorzata Fijalkowska (a university graduate): "Even if there are just two of them, one will seize power and the other money... What other nation in Poland has its own newspaper, theatre, and despite

"I worry about my son, the Jews have got to him," he

successive purges. is still in power? And not only here, the United States is also ruled by their money."

Or take Krystyna Bialas, a 40-year-old civil servant. They are an evil nation, but I brought up my children to speak ill of them only at home, and not in public... Let Jews rule their own country and Poles rule theirs."

There are of course many countervailing opinions, many Poles recognise that there are virtually no Jews left in their country, and that the influence of Jews - malign or benign - on the machinery of power is the product of overworked imaginations and manipulated anxieties.

But there is no mistaking the enduring force of anti-Semitism throughout Central and Eastern Europe: anti-Semitism without

their arms in despair and say: "A typically Polish phenomenon." Once home to three million Jews, the community in Poland is now only a few thousand: chiefly Jews are represented by their graves. Yet anti-Semitism

without Jews has been a European phenomenon centuries. There were, for example, aimost no Jews left in the Low Countries after the Black Plague. yet texts of the period described the Jews in the most poisonous of prose; a well known French poem characterised the Jews as "wicked

and cruel as dogs". There were no Jews remaining in England after their expulsion in 1290, but anti-Semitic themes were played out again and again in the 13th and 14th centuries, even by Chaucer. Norma Drimmer, an energetic

In 1649, a Cossack chieftain.

Bogdan Chmielnicki, entered

Kiev and the city of Tulchin.

and ordered a hideously cruel

massacre of the Jews. Po-

groms in the century stopped

school, notes that racism or antagonism against her community helps younger Jews to define their identi-ty. There may indeed be anti-Semitism without Jews but anti-Semitism, in a strange way, also helps to create Jews. "When there was a wave of neo-Nazi attacks against Turks and foreigners in 1992, our pupils were among the first to stand up and call for

tolerance," she says. Frau Drimmer has no real fear that building up the Berlin Jewish community — there are Jewish cafes, self-help classes, lonely hearts evenings, and film shows will provoke a backlash. Not, at least, in this scarred capital; in Eastern Europe where non-Jewish citizens are having to compete hard for scarce resources, there is plainly more tension.

The point of the Berlin Jewish educational project is to mend the damage done by official statesponsored anti-Semitism in the east. In the basement of the Jewish Community Centre - guarded as usual by police - Gesa Bruns explains in vivid but sometimes faltering Russian the most basic of traditions and rituals to a full classroom of recent, middle-aged emigrants from Ukraine and Russia; men who wear baggy cardigans in August, women with gold

The course is sponsored by the Ron Lauder Foundation - set po by the heir to the Estée Lauder cosmetics empire — which is al-ready backing the Jewish school in Budapest and helping to prop up the rotting wooden buildings in Auschwitz. The teacher leads the group in singing Lecha Dodi and. following the words in transcribed Russian letters (nobody reads Hebrew), the dislocated emigrants suddenly, in the heart of what used to be Adolf Hitler's capital, make the link with a tradition buried and forbidden by both the National Socialists and the Communists.

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Embers of ancient natred glow again

THE RISE OF UKRAINE'S RIGHT

was nothing left; he moved to the Ukrainian capital, to distant cousins. He spends most of the day watching others piay backgammon on a picnic table perched on one of Kiev's

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says. "He's even wearing a yarmulke." For more than half a century it was regarded as folly to display one's Jewishness. Zhid was stamped in many cobbled streets. Jewish citizens' internal pass-

> mer acting Prime Minister under former President Leonid Kravchuk, is now living in Israel because of corruption allegations in Ukraine. In Kiev bars, it is common to curse the current President. Leonid Kuchma's Jewish chef de cabinet, Dmytro Tabachnyk. The trouble really comes when workers start to blame their problems not only on the Russians, but also the Poles and the Jews," says a

Kiev journalist. This confusion of anti-Russianism and anti-Semi-



Jewish students at a Kiev synagogue - anti-Semitism is still low-key, but worrying

television broadcaster recentbly and listed its aims of struggling against "Bolshe-

TOMORROW Anti-Semitism is dead, but the

anti-Semites live on. Roger Boyes reports from Prague

viks, Socialists, the Mafia, foreigners, Zionists, and others who try to derail

Ukraine". A news item about a fire engine which was unable to put out a fire because of lack of water suggested the Jews had drunk it. Another news programme featured abandoned tram cars occupied by tramps, who, in the words of the TV reporter, had nothing better to do than bake matzot.

None of this is very pleas-ant, but it is scattered. Even when one adds anti-Semitism within the professional classes - doctors who claim they are passed over for promotion because of their Jewish origins — there is no real explanation for why many more Ukrainian than Russian Jews now want to emigrate.

Germany's Development
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Spranger — evidently informed by worried German
Embassy officials — recently
whipped up a storm by claiming that 800 000 Likrainian ing that 800,000 Ukrainian Jews were ready to emigrate to Germany. He was quickly slapped down by the experts. Professor Julius Schoeps, of

Potsdam University, who has made a close study of Russian and Ukrainian Jews, says: "Only about 45,000 Ukrainian Jews have been taken in by Germany since 1991, and the total of Jews living in Ukraine is only around 245,000." But the fact remains that a head of steam is gathering behind Ukrainian emigration.

East European Jews are informed by history, by the uncertainties bred by a change of Tsar, by the rapid shift from grudging tolerance to outright violence. The word pogrom comes from the Russian root of gromitj - to

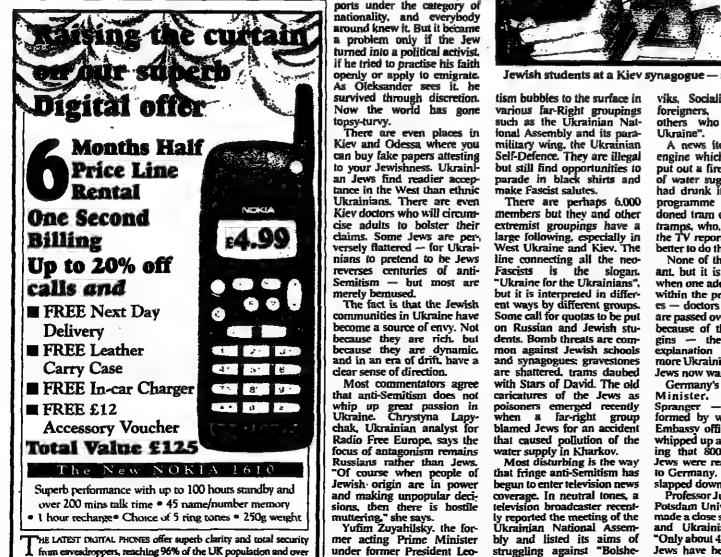
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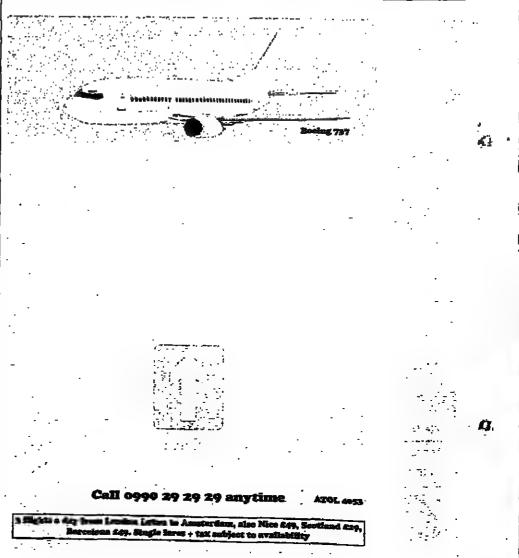
The instant sympathy of Ukrainian nationalists for the Nazi invasion of the Soviet Union, the participation of Ukrainians in SS divisions all this has made the Jews sensitive to changing winds. The Ukrainian National Assembly has begun building a monument to the Ukrainian "heroes" who helped murder Jews during the Second World War.

The gestures made recently by the Ukrainian Government towards reconciliation with Israel and the relative protection offered to the new Jewish communities cannot quite cancel out this bloodsoaked history.

A combination of economic uncertainty and historical wells."

e their cases a Theirs is a history of migration. In 1988, in the windy seaside town of Ladispoli, north of Rome, I met Mischa Weintraub, from Odessa, The Jewish emigration organisation was keen that he and other members of the Gorbachev exodus move to Israel. Mischa wanted to go to America, and become rich. Eventyally, he must have got his will week. He is called Mike now, owns a truck haulage company on the West Coast, and is thinking of setting his sister up with her own roadside café. But he is intrigued by what is happening in his little-loved homeland. "Maybe it's time to emigrate back again," he said. "I heard the dollar goes a long way in Kiev." As for anti-Semitism: "I'm not afraid, I'm an American now - and American Jews don't poison





Memories of my unhappy father

Maugham's last years were marked by a public family fad which deeply hurt his only child. But her love for him remains undiminished

LADY Elizabeth Glendevon lives alone in affluent seclusion in Guernsey. A small woman in a large, rambling house, she protects her privacy fiercely. For more than 30 ears she has spoken about her father, if at all, with profound reluctance - for she is the daughter whose paternity-comerset Maugham dis-claimed.

She is cautious and guarded on the legal dispute that divided the family in the last years of Maugham's life. Journalists alarm her. They remind her of what she calls "the unhappiest period of an other-wise happy life".

That period was the early Sixties when the octogenarian Maugham, sinking lugubri-ously into sentility and obsessed with his will and the disposition of his estate, attempted to exclude his daughter (and only child) from any future inheritance. "He claimed that his offspring had done nothing to deserve his money but to have been born." says his biographer. Robert

The only daughter from Maugham's marriage to the divorcée and society hostess Syn Wellcome, Lady Glendevon, now 81, remembers the aged Maugham as a "sad and disturbed man". And yet, despite what she calls her "enduring hurr", her memories of her father are largely good. She speaks about him with fondness. In particular, she remembers his kindness to her as a child.

Whenever he was home he used to read to me - Kipling and his other favourities treasured those moments. And after the divorce, when he was living in France, whenever he came to London he took me to lunch at Claridges, or to

he Glendevons have always resolutely insisted that it was not Maugham but his secretary and companion of 35 years, Alan Searle, who instigated the feud. Searle is porneed in several biographies as in the words of Robert Calder, a grasping, self-seeking sycophant who manipulated a senile old man in order to gain his estate. Maugham's nephew, the late Robin Maugham, was more sympatheric to Searle, but thought that his uncle was vulnerably deranged at the time of the legal action: "He had this ghastly fear that he had sold his soul to the devil and the

devil was coming to get him." The family dispute began in 1962 when Maugham sold, in an auction at Sotheby's, his collection of paintings, including Picasso's Death of a Harlequin and Matisse's The Yellow Chair. The paintings raised \$1.5 million. Lady Glendevon retaliated by successfully suing for the pro-ceeds of nine paintings, valued at £231,750, that had been assigned to her in a deed. Maugham, who Lady

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"Wherever we went we were hounded by reporters": Lady Glendevon today and (above right) being given away by Somerset Maugham on the day of her first wedding; below, a portrait of her by Ceril Beaton

time suffering from Alzheimer's, responded by seeking to disown his daughter and adopt as his son Alan Searle. Although the adoption was contested and nullified by a French court, Searle eventually inherited ES0,000, the contents of Maugham's Villa Mauresque in Cap Ferrat and,

most crucially, his manuscripts and the copyright on his work for 30 years. When Searle died in August 1985, the

lucrative copyrights passed not to Lady Glendevon but to the Royal Literary Fund. "They should have been mine,". Lady Glendevon says, fixing me with steely gaze. "I had them once, you know."

Lady Glendevon was widowed in January. Married for 38 years to Lord John Hope. the former Conservative MP and younger twin son of the 2nd Marquess of Linlithgow was created Lord Glendevon in 1964), she is moving back to London in September. She wants to be closer to her children - Nicholas and Camilla from her first marriage, to Vincent Paravicini. and Julian and

Jonathan. "I have bought a flat in Eaton Square. It has a frightfully small garden but it will give my little dog a place in which to run," she says, leading me from the sunlight of the garden, past a cabinet of deteriorating Maugham first editions in the hallway and into the long shadows of her drawing room. A distinguished, handsome woman, her light voice echoes in the open spaces around her. Her diction, with its clipped vowels and archaic adverbs, is redo-

She is frail but not vulnerable. Her eyes are shrewd. She she dislikes journalists. She has good cause. "The press made my life a misery during the period of the difficulties with my father," she says.

They wouldn't leave me alone. Wherever we went we were hounded by reporters and photographers; they used to wait outside our house in Chelsea Square. One reporter used to leave ly on the bell. It was

horrendous."

After eventually

reaching a settle-

ment, under which COWLEY Lady Glendevon re-

> ceived £100,000 plus costs after renouncing any further claim she might have on her father's estate as his daughter. Lady Glendevon went to see Maugham. She knew he was dying but wanted to make her peace. The Maugham she found

> was not the father she had loved. "I wanted to say farewell and make everything all right with him but he didn't know who I was. He was very ill - I think he probably had Alzheimer's but no one knew about that then. His condition was made worse by the fact that you-know-who (she refuses to name Searle| had poured poison in his ear. Without his awful influence my father would have been simply gaga. Instead, he became paranoid: he was convinced that I wanted to have him certified. Whenever he heard a car on the drive he thought he was going to be taken into a home. I'm afraid his mind had been poisoned." Elizabeth Mary Maugham was born on May 6, 1915. She

was educated by various governesses and at the Miss Spalding School in Queensnever any question of my going to university or of pursuing a career," she recalls with soft laughter. "That wasn't what women did in those days," Or, perhaps she should have said, what women of a certain class did. For her antecedents were notable. Her maternal grandfather was Dr Barnardo: her paternal grandfather, Robert Maugham, was solicitor to the British Embassy in Paris; and her mother's first husband was the eminent

The young Liza grew up surrounded by writers, painters, minor royalty, exotic baronets: her teenage years were an "endless round of parties" in fabulous houses. She married Vincent Paravicini, son of the Swiss Ambassador to Britain, when she was only 19. They divorced in 1946. "Our marriage could not withstand a separation of four years brought about by the war, Lady Glendevon says. "We always remained good

friends, though." arriage did little to diminish her romantic ardour, or the radiance of her social life. "Even when I was married I still went to parties. It was the era of the Bright Young Things our time. We partied through out the Thirties. We had marvellous fun going to dinners and dances. Then the war started and nothing was ever the same again."

Among regular guests at her parents' parties were Evelyn Waugh, Augustus John, Bev-Cecil Beaton and Noel Coward. She remembers Greene

chemist Henry Wellcome.

pery and caustic. "He was really rather a difficult man. especially when he'd had a few drinks. He had this air of intellectual superiority and was awfully sarcastic." Summers were spent at their country house near Boulogne. "My mother was extremely good at mixing different kinds of people, so that at our country house parties there would be artists. writers and society types." She remembers Coward compos-

as "odd, watchful and intense-

ly secretive": Waugh was pep-

he composed at the piano. He was frightfully charming." Her parents divorced when she was just 12 Maugham, a veiled though promiscuous homosexual, had fallen in love with Gerald Haxton, a harddrinking American he met while serving as a driver and dresser in a Red Cross ambulance unit in France during

ing songs on her piano. "Noel

wrote several songs while

staying with us. I used to sit

goggle-eyed watching him as

the Second World War. was in his early twenties; they stayed together for 30 years, living mainly in the south of

Maugham described his marriage as the most serious mistake of his life. "I was a quarter normal and threequarters queer, but I tried to persuade myself it was the other way round." Lady Glendevon refuses to speak of his sexuality.

"Ghastly things have been said. It is most unfair. Would people say the same things today if he were alive? I doubt it. It wouldn't be an issue."

She is, however, prepared to speak about Maugham's attitude to her mother. "I am sure that he loved her and there were times when they were very happy together. They were essentially two different people. He spent an awful lot of time abroad, travelling in the South Pacific and living in France. And my mother was busy with her parties, and

later with her work as an interior designer, I suppose, even when they were married,

they lived separate lives." In Robin Maugham's memoir of his uncle. Conversations with Willie, he poignantly describes how shortly before Syrie's death she met her former husband at the Dorchester. The meeting was short and tense; Syrie told Maugham that she still loved him, but the writer was imperiously unmoved: "You don't love me - you can't - because you've never known me." Lady Glendevon believes her mother never stopped loving

Maugham. After the divorce, Lady Glendevon moved with her mother from their house in Bryanston Square, near Marble Arch, to a "rather lovely" house in Chelsea, where Syrie continued to host parties.

Curiously, Lady Glendevon says that she was only "briefly upset" by her parents' divorce.
"It certainly didn't break my heart. This was because when they were married I saw my father infrequently. He travelled so much that I got used to not having him around."

Later, following her own divorce, Lady Glendevon would take her children. Nicholas and Camilla, who is now married to the champagne heir Count Frederic Chandon, to see Maugham in Cap Ferrat. She remembers Maugham being haunted by the memory of his mother, who died when he was just eight, "He absolutely adored his mother. Once when I was staying with him - he was already into his eighties - he did a most curious thing. I was in his sitting room when he told me to wait while he went upstairs. When he came down he was holding a long strand of his mother's hair - he'd kept it all those years. I was

very moved but also appalled by what I saw."

Maugham has an almost archival presence in English literature: the wild glamour and excesses of the life are remembered more than the work. This is a shame because, as Lady Glendevon points out, his fiction has brought pleasure to millions.

As Lady Glendevon prepares to leave the house she loves to return to a city she no longer "knows nor understands", she explains one last time how she feels no bitterness towards her father.

feel no anger towards him over what happened. He was a marvellous writer, absolutely dedicated to his art. I am sorry that he is no longer taken as seriously as he once was but I'm sure he will be

"We did love each other, you know. I was closer to my mother, as girls tend to be, but I was very fond of him, and he was fond of me until he went

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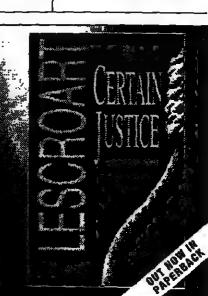
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Pulp put the fizz in Essex's big day

POP: Paul Sexton peers through a Chelmsford wood at the V96 festival's parade of British talent

The V96 event takes its name, inevitably in these days of the corporate endorsement, from the sponsorship of Virgin Cola, whose presence in the sentence you are reading helps to explain why it pays a fizzy drink manufacturer to be associated with such an event. Not to mention that it brings a new meaning to the phrase pop festival.

Day one of this 14-act extravaganza, also featuring a circus and the usual collection of motley market stalls, then moved lock stock and beer barrel up the M6 to visit itself yesterday upon the town of Warrington. It's a long way from the days of the Motown Revue travelling city to city by bus to the next Odeon engagement, but there's something mildly endearing about the idea of such community spirit among Britain's top stage turns of the moment

Furthermore, it is hard to snipe at the Chelmsford event when the chief inconvenience seemed to be the number of trees in Hylands Park, which obliged some of the throng to peek beatifically through the branches for a glimpse of the action. From lunchtime onwards. there was never a moment with nothing to watch on one or other of the stages, and a commendable collation of British talent it was too, with the addition of honorary Brit Jonathan Richman on the early afternoon bill.

He at least would have made Gary Numan feel a touch less incongruous among a line-up and an audience some of whom were not born when first his marauding synthesisers went on the prowl in the late 1970s. At least one punter, gamely decked out in a "Beserker Tour 1984" T-shirt and white leans. had made the journey with him. and while Numan may have become a benign presence, he still plays his part with conviction; in Cars he sent a ripple through the trees with one of the most enduring British pop songs of the past

two decades. On the smaller stage, Welsh guitar-wielders Super Furry Animals put in a solid performance, especially on Hometown Unicorn.

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the debut single that marked their card earlier this year. But four-girl neo-punks Fluffy showed that, while they have listened to all the right records from 1977 and before. they have little idea how to use them to their advantage.

Liverpool's Cast are strongly retro by nature, but chiefly in that their sole songwriter, John Power, understands that credibility need not fly south when a good tune comes along. Thus their music truly becomes a Merseybeat for the Nineties, celebrated here with full-flavour hits such as Finetime and Alright and other selections

from their All Change album. Heavy Stereo employed the standard rock four-way attack, but to good effect with a confident guitar barrage on Sleep Freak, Cartoon Moon and others from the upcoming *Dėja Voodoo* album debut. Elastica. headlining the

second stage, may have been due

an allowance as their performance marked the British debut of two new players, bassist Sheila Chipperfield and keyboard player Dave Bush. But their set contained several of their familiar musical frailties, particularly a guitar note in Waking Up that was not just burn but positively homeless.

Supergrass, though, had some excellent new tricks up their sleeve. As suggested by their only release of 1996 so far, March's Going Out single, the Brit-winning trio are now sharpening their cutting edge with the addition of horns. Here, the Hornography ensemble brought great texture to the new compositions It's Not Me and Richard III. Supergrass's creden-tials as an uncomplicated goodtime band are still intact.

But rarely can the expectation of one band have dominated a day as did Pulp's presence at the top of the bill. Especially as we hear that these shows will be the last for some months by the group whose ingenious combination of urbane theatricality and world-weary provinciality has captured the mood of a pop generation.

Pulp's set was twice as long. twice as grandly staged, twice as audacious as anybody else's, Jarvis Cocker's extravagant thespianism successfully walking the tightrope between the corn and the credible. Such splendidly squalid tales of the most mangy aspects of modern romance could, it seems, only come from England and they could only come now, and Cocker was at his voyeuristic best on I Spy and Pencil Skirt, pausing to introduce an eccentric new song called Help The Aged before leading the company through Pulp's rallying cry, Common People. The fireworks went off, and the trees shook in approval.



Pulp's Jarvis Cocker, whose extravagant thespianism successfully walked the tightrope between the corn and the credible

eethoven's Leonore, the earlier version of his opera Fidelio, has had advocates over the years. But few have ap-proached it with more careful enthusiasm than John Eliot Gardiner. Though his semistaged performance at Friday's Prom blazed with the excitement he brings to all his musical experiments, he made no "profit and loss" claims for the superiority of either version. Leonore (1805, three acts) and Fidelio (1814, two acts) are different operas, equally valid, and Gardiner caught the revolutionary fervour unique to the

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bound for Salzburg, is per-forming its own edition based on the 1805 text; but the revisions Beethoven made have not been ignored, and all the spoken dialogue is cut (a practical decision, but one which unbalances it).

Leonore emerges as the more overtly political work, with a real uprising in the finale as Pizarro is seized by a mob and Rocco accused of

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Albert Hall/Radio 3 offers less mature commentary on the human condition. But wonderful extra numbers. and fuller versions of wellknown ones, flesh out the collaboration. Conversely, it

characters, even if Beethoven's symphonic thinking sometimes impedes the drama. Alas, if the first object of this performance was to reveal the greatness of half-familiar music, then the semi-staging was an own goal. Annabel Arden started from the basically bright idea of a production "in the round", a democratic way of doing things in the Albert Hall's arena. But singers moved from one mini-platform to another, circling the orchestra

phrase was unevenly projected, without any dramatic advantages (even this young, handsome cast was not best viewed from behind). The simple staging — a handful of props — worked better at static moments, and the prisoners' chorus and dungeon scenes BBC PROMS were movingly managed.

Forced to work hard, most singers met the challenge. When Hillevi Martinpelto's Leonore was allowed to stand still she disclosed gleaming tone, well matched to Kim Begley's keenly-sung Florestan. Christiane Oelze's bright soprano made her a good Marzelline, Michael Schade was an adequate Jaquino, but Matthew Best's growling Pizarro was one-dimensional. Rocco emerged an unusually interesting character in Franz Hawlata's affectionately

drawn, strongly sung portrait. There were moments when intonation sagged, but from the start of the grim Leonore Overture No. 2 Gardiner galvanised his Orchestre Révolutionnaire et Romantique. In a better staging these performers might have shown how Beethoven got his opera right first time round.

JOHN ALLISON

widow such as Lady Flippant "in search of a satyr" had only to stroll a few yards west of the

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THEATRE

Love in a Wood

New End, NW3

but there was certainly

White Hall. The downside of this convenience seems to have been that flirts and libertines might find themselves accosting by mistake the persons who genuinely loved them. That is, if Wycherley is to be believed in the complications he chronicles in this, his first

sound like a template for all the convoluted amorous intrigues in every Restoration comedy that followed. Sir Simon Addleplot disguises himself as an obsequious clerk in order to further his scheme to marry a skinflint's daughter. To addle his plot further he urges the girl to consider marrying Mr Dapperwit, who is discarding Lady Flippant in order to pursue Lucy, whose

supposed innocence has at-

tracted Alderman Gripe, the skinflint.

There are passages that

The plot thickens – then sets

Amanda Osborne as the amorous Lady Flippant gets cosy with Ranger (Christopher Gilling) in Love in a Wood

As if this were not enough for us, a further cluster of adventures concern young Ranger's pursuit of a young heiress who changes cloaks with another heiress and is thenceforward pursued, to the rage of the second heiress's

lover, who fled abroad after a duel but has secretly returned twists I echoed the comment from Christopher Gilling's Ranger, the play's dashing heroic hunk: When we are giddy 'tis time to stand still."

The play's conclusion suggests that Wycherley is trying to redefine matrimony as a state of liberty, not bondage, although none of the four marriages in the last act looks likely to discover any truth in

There is enough sprightly wordplay to make the London Classic Theatre's revival pleasant enough, despite being a couple of complications too long. Last year's Restoration comedy — they are annual events at this venue — madea garish attempt to modernise the play through costume changes. Michael Cabot's happier device is to introduce apt snatches from Judy Garland. Tammy Wynette and others between scenes. Thus Eartha Kitt finds love under a lilac tree just before the actionmoves to the woods.

There are good mances from Anna Kirke's pinched matchmaker. Mrs Joiner, spying on the verbal foreplay from the side of the stage, and from Alexander Rickard as a timid but faithful friend. Amanda Osborne's Lady Flippant spreads her haughty reproofs with honey: and when Addleplot is finally thwarted Jason Baughan throws himself into such uninhibited dismay that his knees turn to rubber and he finishes with his face in the carpet. Needless to say, when he gets to his feet he tells us "I have to his teer ne tens as devised a revenge", but that's your Restoration comedy.

JEREMY KINGSTON

Bach unplugged

TO CRAM all six of Bach's concertos for two or more harpsichords into one programme had more appeal in theory than in practice. It was one of the week of early music concerts on the South Bank in competition with the Proms and it evidently delighted its own band of enthusiasts.

— and, as they turned, their

lines came and went. In the

Leonore

The four harpsichords. three copied from French models and one of Flemish origin, their cases coloured red, blue, green and ivory respectively, were set in a semicircle behind the five solo strings of the New London Consort Such a balance was a far cry from the 1950s when Eileen Joyce would team up with Thurston Dart. George Malcolm and others to be heard well amplified against a full string orchestra.

Although microphones were visibly in evidence for each keyboard here, they must have been for recording purposes only, leaving the audience hearing a natural sound which, in the triple concertos particularly, tended to confine the keyboard figuration to a subdued muttering behind the strings. David Roblou, who took his place as one of the harpsichordists as well as directing the performances. kept the rhythms well strung for the most part and the tempos lively but unforced.

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His keyboard colleagues, Richard Egarr in all the concertos, Gary Cooper and Paul Nicholson in some, were best heard to multiple effect in the A minor quadruple concerto derived from Vivaldi, where the blended texture was kept well ventilated to let the separate strands be heard to decorative purpose, especially in the largo movement, and the cheerful triple-beat finale engaged the strings in beguil-

ing give and take. Elsewhere the strings were notably lucid in the pizzicato adagio of the C minor double concerto, and in the brisk and lively fuga of its C major companion. More lilt would not have come amiss to sput on the alla siciliana of the D minor triple concerto, which sounded too much like a waltz. but all together one could admire the overall style while sometimes wishing for more contrast and texture than the programme allowed.

NOEL GOODWIN | honoured his father, a mur-

Tragedy of guerrillas in the myth Caroline Lynch's sparse

new version of Electra at Andrews Lane Theatre introduces some clever translations as it replays the Greek tragedy in a preceasefire Belfast. Orestes becomes Ollie, recently returned from across the Atlantic with his scavenging photojournal-ist pal Perez; Clyternnestra becomes Cynthia, ostracised from the McAleese family after marrying an RUC.officer, while Electra is reincar-nated in the form of Elizabeth "Ellie" McAleese, a zealous terrorist with a fiery temper, a long memory and a tendency to whip off her rights and throttle people with them at

the least provocation. Naive Ollie (Les Martin) soon begins to display confused republican sympathics when he receives an unexpectedly warm welcome in the community that once

Electra Dublin

dered paramilitary hero. Merciless Ellie (Abbie Spallen) remorselessly exploits her brother's desire to get involved with the republican cause, and the tragedy ripens when she sends him across the tracks to avenge their father's murder. With the formalities in place. Desmond sets off to explore the effects which a climate of violence has on everyday relationships, shifting the emphasis away from sectarian strife and towards domestic power struggles. The Troubles" roar around them, the talk is of brutal police interrogations and

equally brutal punishment at-

tacks, but the conflicts that

engulf the McAleese house-

hold have long since detached

themselves from the war.

staging could easily have been more courageous. Although the space is left fairly unclut-tered, filled only by a handful of black chairs and the necasional slide projection, the director sometimes seems to lose confidence and lurch towards naturalism, Performances, too, were short on consistency and several lapses in concentration were evident. Spallen delivers Ellie as a credibly violent psychotic, hut her habit of staring into the

middle distance in moments of passion is simply distracting. The production's salvation comes in the form of Eithne McGuinness as Ellie's guardian, Cassy. McGuinness's small performance draws in all the threads that the dramatist has so carefully left lying unravelled around the stage. Sex and violence are certainly linked in the McAleese household but it takes frumpy, downtrodden Cassy to give the

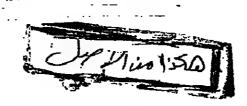
link dramatic form. As Perez crawls around her with his camera, snapping images, she blandly expounds the woes of her city and the sexual undertones of the violence around her, pausing only momentarily as the shut-

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A daily guide to arts

compiled by Gillan Maxey

Wilson's his musical **The Boyfriend**, while Gloucestershive Everyman Youth The are presents a Funge First romination, Framed, at the Ploasance (2 10pm, also Aug 22, 23, 25 and 26)

in the Queen's Hall (Born), for one right only the edvet crooner Craig Michilard is oned by his packing band Than Sering Thang and the vocal talents of "The Seringethes" to define a numerous tribute to Burt Bachamich Dean Martin Service and Thes.

Dean Martin, Smatra and Elvis

Meanwhile, the dance and physical treate season, Continental Shifts,

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Dronalk's Symphony No 9 From the new World The concent begins with Bartok's Music for Simigs. Percussion and Celesta followed by the British premiere of Alfred Janson's Interlude for Orchestra — a negular ritem in the orchestra is rependly affect that Kensington Gore. SW7 (0171-589 8212). Torught, 7.30pm.

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ICSS THE SKY. The Bush moves feed door to a venue len trues bagger for Jim Cartwright's homage to the 1960s summer of love a psychoelic muscal directed by Make Bradwell, with groovy tunes and whirling colours. Shepherds Bush Brapher, Shepherds Bush Green, W12 (0181-740 *474) Previews begin tonight. 8pm. Opens Wicd, 8pm. Then Mon-Sat, 8pm.

LONDON GALLERIES

Loons in kangaroo slippers

THEATRE: Benedict Nightingale

on a satirical spin-off that lacks all the virtues of the 16th-century original

as the Edinburgh Festival's theatrical subdivision ever had a more disappointing opening week than in this, its fiftieth year? nore took its deconstruction of Hamlet to perverse extremes by never opening at all. Then Miranda Richardson recited bits of Virginia Woolf's Orlando against a background jointly designed by Euclid and a shower-curtain tycoon. And, to



fish back

cap a wretched five days, off we went to the international Conference centre, a building winf all the quaint charm of Houston space centre, to see u piece of pier-end didacticism, a political panto that would have gained in sophistication if Ian Botham's Robin Hood had been enrolled to clout a cartoon sheriff of Nottingham with a cricket bat.

Sir David Lindsay's Satire of the Three Estaites was originally performed to James V in 1540, it was a warning to burgh Festival its "greatest Jock, in weak rhyming cou-"King Humanity" not to be production". Why, then, have plets? There is no argument. Scotland liberating itself from

THERE are few singers who can fill the Usher Hall -- fill it, that is, not only with an audience and a voice but also with personality. Bryn Terfel, whose Edinburgh Festival recital with Malcolm Martineau was all but sold out weeks ago, is one of those few. There was no doubt about the voice from his very first entry in Schubert's Gruppe aus dem Tartarus with a sound so solid that it might have been carved out of granite. At the end of the same composer's Litanei, where the vocal line was drawn on such a stender scalcely squeeze in below it, the voice

still filled the hall. There was never any doubt about the Terfel personality, either, Saving the Welsh equivalent of Billy Connolly banter for the encore episode, he put his personal authority to serious use early in the recital by asking his audience, which was clearly incapable of taking a polite hint, not to applaud in the middle of a group of songs. On an evening beset by latecomers and mysterious electronic whistles, there

duped by Sensuality, Flattery and other vices, but to protect the common people against a corrupt clergy. Representa-tives of the three great estates - Church, barons, merchants

- watch from the sidelines as u cross-section of "laithly lurdan loons" are exposed by Divine Correction and either sent packing or hanged. John McGrath's updated

production changes the three estates to politicians, multinational corporations and City gents and reduces them to grotesque dummies. On comes an assortment of rightwing rotters, among them a withered Major, a smirking Blair, and chaps with names like Cheap Labour and Privatised Cedric. But it is the fourth estate that really rouses the agitprop in McGrath. He spends most of the evening paying the nation's journalists and newspaper proprietors. especially those at the helm of News International, an unintended compliment. We control the planet and seem virtually capable of reshaping the universe, not excluding the moons of Saturn.

Lindsay's homily has its comic moments, but never loses its intellectual elegance and moral grandeur. Indeed, McGrath himself concedes in the programme that the Satire is "the greatest play to emerge from Scotland" and, when Tyrone Guthrie staged it in the early days, gave the Edin-

were enough interrup-

tions as it was. More

to the point, the Schu-

bert group had been

carefully worked out

to form a continuity.

it was a matter

largely of contrast -

between, say, the soar-

ing ecstasy of Ganymed and the cerie

motionlessness of Meeres Stille, or the

manic extremes of Lachen und Weinen

and the serenity of Du bist die Ruh -

but also of subtly made cross-refer-

ences, as when An die Leier combined

in itself the stony and the sentimental

aspects of the first two songs in the

group. And there was a wealth of

accomplished characterisation: the

vindictively childish voice in Heiden-



Mary-Ann Coburn, as Sal Sitcom, and Roland MacLeod (Sir Righteous Indignation) in A Satire of the Four Estaites, a political panto directed at newspaper proprietors

the Festival authorities celebrated their half-century by substituting this silly, coarse and imaginatively monotonous spin-off?

McGrath accuses journalists of talking down to the punters. But what else does he do when he brings Bruce Smart-Card, Slavering Droof. Sir Righteous Indignation and other "crooks and liars" to cavort in front of papiermaché crags and menace the Harry Lauder clone, Grandou

Perfectly tuned for

volume and contrast

MUSIC

Bryn Terfel/Ruf

Usher Hall.

Edinburgh

only indictment and more "England, old and grey". You indictment. It is a kangaroo court for uppity Aussies in their funny kangaroo slippers. But what of the show's

positive aspects? Well. McGrath seems to have replaced the international socialism he once espoused with a sort of Marxist nationalism. Following Lindsay, his vices disguise themselves as virtues. this time Democracy. Equality and Charity, and thrust themselves on Michael Nardone's Humanity, here the soul of a

röslein emphasised

the point that it is not

about little boys and

wild roses at all. As for

Erikönig, introduced

by piano-playing so

stormy that it fluttered

the music on the

stand, it has never

been more dramatically realised.

There was more opportunity for

characterisation in Ibert's Quatre

Chansons de Don Quichotte - for

Terfel above all in the pathetic chivalry

of the Ronsard setting, and for

Martineau in the discreet hints of

tango rhythms accompanying Qui-

xote's death. It was the planist who

supplied most of the poetry in an

interpretation of Vaughan Williams's

won't be surprised to hear that the young man resists the menacing journos and makes a non-sexist marriage to Maria Miller's Jenny, a pure Highland lass who has leapt from the womb in which she has been trapped since 1707.

Together, they will enjoy freedom, as well as "songs, stories, and the way we cook" Alas, poor Scotland! A future comprising haggis, politically correct newspapers and plays like this? Maybe the Union

Songs of Travel which might have foundered on its bluffness but for an inspired treatment of its epilogue. The Usher Hall was far from full for

the late-night concert immediately afterwards, Bearing in mind that Ruf lasts little more than half an hour and that Emmanuel Nunes is still an almost unknown quantity as far as the British public is concerned, it would surely have made sense to cut the ticket price by at least half. With Emilio Pomarico and the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra to pay for, it was always a loss-maker anyway. Certainly the first British perfor-

mance was an experience, remarkable for its sustained assault of energy. But then, after high strings have magically caught hold of the echoes of an immense crescendo cut off at its height. it enters a lyrical phase with a clarinet cantilena. The message communicated by horn and tam-tam sounds from Das Lied von der Erde was unclear but not unemotive.

GERALD LARNER

EDINBURGH

The conductor Donald Runhouse and the Royal Section National Orchestrateurs to the Ustrar Hall (agmit to perform Britan's powerful War Requiem They are powed by Elona Proking, scourable Anthony Rotle Johnson Idnoi Thomas Quasifioti barrone me Edinburgh Festival Chorus and the RSNO Jumo

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Labour majority.
Such forces, it will be argued, would be able to

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Democrats start to get excit-ed. Assorted loose cannons

in that party begin making

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about the demands and con-

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Liberal Democrat becomes

their cry, "and save Prime

Minister Blair from the

frightening elements within

his own party." The third

party gains an interest in

exposing the vulnerabilities

Coalitions, deals, fac-

tions, knife edge negotia-tions . . I believe this kind

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Blair a big majority. So long as this appears within his

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we can relax. But what if . . .

myself in this criticism),

spend too much time these

days thinking about, talk-

ing to and writing about

party leaders. Less and less

do we notice the Commons

chamber itself, and when

we do we tend to pooh-pooh.

We pooh-pooh Bill Cash, we

did not dine with Teddy

Taylor. We did not take

Clare Short too seriously, at

first. And frankly we cannot

remember the names of a

good many of the Labour

backbenchers we too readi-

ly characterise as a sort of

terracotta army: faceless, disposable, deployable at

will by the high command.

what the press lobby some-

times forgets, that Britain

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dential system of govern-

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ing voters reconciled to Blair may still be worried

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bout a year ago. I bet a friend a very substantial sum that Labour would not only win the next election, but walk it. By 25 seats or more, I said. My friend disagreed.

Neither of us was betting on his own hopes. I was, and remain, a supporter of John Major, but I despaired of the Parliamentary Conservative Party. It was behaving like an absolute shower. This, plus the persuasiveness of Tony Blair, and the nation's weariness with Tory rule, would, I thought, spell disaster for Mr Major, regardless of his

When he sank at the election, the winnings from my bet would help to cheer me up. Or that was the plan. Now I am not so sure. Before an autumn or spring poll, you will be served with a feast of statistical reasoning, and psychological argument, and I do not plan to add to it. I do, however, have an argument which I am not sure has yet been made, but will be. It could prove potent in altering

voters' intentions. Often we extrapolate graph lines without thinkng how extrapol-

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ations themselves may influence voters' intentions. about what Contrary to Mathe polls are jor's view that he was ahead during the last days of the last elecf believe change our Neil Kinnock moved into the lead. It was the shock of realising that we were ab-

out to elect a Labour government that tipped that critical number of voters Maior's way at the last minute. The nation's belief that Major was losing actually

won it for him. It was when he looked like the loser that minds were concentrated on Mr Kinnock. I had not until recently

could come to Major's aid this time, because Blair in person does not (despite the best efforts of Tory demonisers) unsettle many voters. It is the Parliamentary Labour Party that unsettles them, but attention at election time tends to focus on leaders, not on the backbench herd.

Something may change that. The Tories are, we guess, 12-20 points behind Labour at present. Most commentators think the gap will narrow, but not enough to wipe away all Labour's lead within the eight

months (at most) that is left. It need not. Once that gap reduces, if it does, to single figures, a new cry goes up: "It's going to be close!" and once the electorate come to believe that, our thoughts turn to the likelihood of a Labour government with a small majority. "Tony Blair, in by 15 or 16" becomes the thought. This will be the new topic for discussion. Commentators and Tory publicists will begin to talk quite plausibly about threats from the Labour Left, the Labour majcon-

party may not win an election but it is a safe bet that a divided one will lose. This might not be so true if we had some sort of proportional representation. Even under the current system, a divided party can win if its opponents are also divided. In 1922, a divided Conservative party managed on a minority vote to defeat an Opposition split

the tool of a party - that is to say, to adopt the opinions of men who have not access to your knowledge and could not profit by it if they had, who spend their time in eating and drinking, and hunting, shooting, gambling, horse-racing, and so forth — would be an odious servitude to which I will never submit." It is perhaps symbolic that the revolt

In the first part of a series, Robert Blake looks at the history of disastrous Conservative divisions nder the present British electoral system a united

between Labour and two feuding Lib-eral factions. This was a stroke of luck; it is unlikely to be repeated.

Of all parties, the Conservatives

should be the most conscious of the value of unity. In 1846, Peel, who was a great statesman but a bad politician, took his unsuspecting fol-lowers by surprise when he proposed to repeal the Corn Laws. Economic-ally he was right — free trade was the basis of Britain's commercial success for the rest of the century but the "landed interest", backbone of his party, believed (wrongly as things turned out) that it would be ruined. Like many party leaders. Peel regarded his followers with intellectual contempt, and he lacked the diplomatic skill and perhaps the inclination to persuade them. The majority repudiated him. They were the ancestors of the modern Conservative Party. Earlier, Peel had written: "To be

A party divided against itself

which dethroned him was led, not by Disraeli as most people believe the mander), but by two of the most famous figures of the Turf. Lord George Bentinck and Edward Stanley, the future 14th Earl of Derby and Prime Minister. But it was Disraeli whose sardonic, satirical, acidic oratory made the running. He was a master of the sound-bite. His invective was never forgotten - nor, by his enemies, forgiven. In the leaden pages of Hansard, his words glitter like diamonds - paste perhaps, but eye-catching all the same.

Bentinck died soon after. Derby was in the Lords. It fell to Disraeli, reluctantly accepted as leader in the Commons of the "gentleman of Old England", to reconstruct the party he had helped to destroy. It took him a long time. The rebellion against Peel cost the party 28 years of opposi-tion, punctuated by three fleeting minority Governments. It was not until 1874 that Disraeli was able to form a Cabinet supported by more than half the Commons. By then he had new men and new policies, especially on social reform and the concept of "One Nation" (which though not his phrase was his practice). Despite, or perhaps

a passionate English nationalist, and this is his other legacy to his party. Both are relevant today.

The Corn Law crisis east a long

shadow. Unity at almost any price became a shibboleth, strengthened by the disastrous divisions among the Liberals over Gladstone's espousal of

THE TORIES IN OPPOSITION

Irish Home Rule in 1885. For 20 years under Salisbury, the Conservatives seemed to be the natural party of government. But he was succeeded by Balfour, who once said "I cannot become another Robert Peel in my party", and under him a split occurred almost as damaging as that of 1840. This was caused by Joseph Chamberlain's crusade for Tariff Reform, meaning preferential import duties on Empire products, which alienated the traditional free traders. Though the issues were different, the political troubles that followed were

remarkably similar to those which have been vexing the party over Europe since 1990: resignations, facetiousness, complicated compromises, elaborate efforts by the leader to paper over the cracks and reconcile the contestants. Balfour failed and the party crashed in 1906 to the worst defeat in its history.

The lesson of 1846 had to be relearnt Balfour's successor was Bonar Law, whose ultimate principle was that the party must not be broken up. He managed to keep it together during the First World War, whereas the Liberals disintegrated. He and Baldwin were helped by a generational change. The old guard faded out; new ideas were in the air. The party was able to regroup and reorganise in something like the way it had under Disraeli, helped by an Opposition divided between Labour and the Liberals. There were Tory divisions, notably in the 1930s over India and Munich, but the splinter groups were too small to matter. Superficially at least, the party remained united through the war, although there was much private discontent with Churchill's leadership.

The appearance of unity did not

save the party in 1945, but it is difficult to see what could have done so at that stage. Absence of public dissension is not a guarantee of success, but it is a help, and in the years after the war the Conservatives were generally better at presenting a united front than Labour. There were, it is true, divisions about personalities in 1963-64, which probably contributed to Labour's narrow win. The same applies to the run-up to the second election of 1974, which resulted in another narrow Labour victory and the deposition of Edward Heath.

Historically, the Conservatives have been seriously fragmented only when there is a question of policy to important and divisive that a really substantial group feels that a grave national interest is at stake. This was so in 1846 and 1905. The European question is the modern equivalent of the Corn Law and Tariff Reform disputes, when appeals against rocking the boat no longer worked because some Tories no longer cared. The European common currency has become the symbolic issue, as allegedly a step towards a European federal superstate. Whether it is that or not, a lot of people believe it is, and that Britain's existence as a nation-state rather than a Texas or a Bavaria is under threat.

This is not simply a technical economic issue, it is an essential political one. If the Prime Minister can reconcile the opponents he will have shown a greater skill than either Peel or Balfour. But time is short, and if he cannot, electoral disaster looms

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Government should welcome tough regulators

onsumers should be celebrating. Regulators of the gas, electricity, water and telecommunication utilities are being more aggressive. This should mean lower prices, but it could also have implications for Labour as well as the Tories. One of the most significant political events of August - largely ignored outside the business pages - has been the decision by the water and electricity regulators to criticise the pay and perks of some utility executives.

tors - Don Cruickshank for telecommunications, Stephen Littlechild for electricity, Clare Spottiswoode for gas and Ian Byatt for water - are followed far more closely by the City than the views of most ministers. The regulators can reshape industries, and have done so, yet they are a constitutional anomaly, public officials semi-independent of government. but not really accountable to anyone, east of all to Parliament.

The existence of these regulators and similar ones responsible for the railways, the National Lottery and the like - reflects the central paradox of privatisation. The Tories wanted to shift nationalised industries out of the public sector, yet government could not wash its hands entirely, since most remained monopolies. Hence, the regulators were invented. They were to be at arm's length sufficiently distant from Whitehall to reassure City markets that ministers would not be interfering all the time

but they were to have powers enough to reassure the public that services and prices would be moni-

tored and competition encouraged.
The removal of direct Whitehall control has brought better management and innovation, improved customer services (with the important exception of parts of the water industry) and lower prices. Since privatisation, the real, inflation-adjusted price of telecommunications



has fallen by 44 per cent, while domestic buyers of gas are paying a quarter less, and those of electricity a tenth less. These gains, however, have been partially offset by a rise of nearly two-fifths in household water bills in real terms. Shareholders and top managers have enjoyed even

bigger benefits than customers. In one sense, privatisation has worked too well. Efficiency gains from reducing costs and staff, as reflected in higher profits and divi-dends, have looked all too large. The pricing formulas have turned out to be lax. Utilities have been deliberately cautious in their estimates of costs and spending, as was exposed last year when Northern Electric suddenly discovered hundreds of millions to pay to shareholders when faced with an unwelcome takeover. At present, such "excess" profits can only be removed at the end of the five-year period when new pricing rules are established, although Labour has suggested profit-sharing, under which the benefits of increased efficiency would be passed at the time

RIDDELL ON MONDAY

to consumers as well as shareholders. The regulators have been drawn over the past 18 months into bitter battles with the companies as they try to secure a better deal for consumers in terms of prices and, in the case of water companies such as Yorkshire, services. The stakes are often high, as will be seen again on Wednesday when Ms Spottiswoode annuounces the final price proposals for TransCo. the pipeline subsidiary of British Gas. Her initial suggestion of a 28 per cent price cut could have reduced its annual revenues by £300 million. An anonymous dossier last year even spread the sinister suggestion that the regulators are under the influence of "the Austrian school" of economists. But then so are most economists, fortunately for consumers, since the "Austrian school" gives top priority to competition.

Public resentment has been increased by generous bonus and incentive arrangements, which have given some directors windfall gains running into hundreds of thousands. even millions of pounds, as when the National Grid was floated last year. These huge gains were unrelated to the performance of the directors, but

reflected the company's monopoly. initially, the regulators stayed clear of arguments about pay, and the sound-bite populism of Labour spokesmen. But the regulators have now become involved, on efficiency rather than egalitarian grounds. Mr Byatt was reported last week to have urged institutional shareholders to do more to curb pay and perks in the water companies, while Professor Littlechild emphasised the high remuneration levels when he proposed

big cuts in the National Grid's prices. The long-term answer is more competition. Telecommunications markets are developing rapidly and becoming more competitive, but the energy market is more complicated. In a farewell speech before his resignation as Industry and Energy Minister last month, Tim Eggar conceded that when the utilities were

privatised "we did not fully appreciate how important it was actively to promote competition". The Treasury believed that proceeds would be maximised if the utilities were sold in their existing form, as monopolies (a partial exception being the split of electricity generation between two companies). Now that has changed. Full competition in domestic gas supply will start in 1998, and a pilot scheme is already under way in the South West. Meanwhile, the electricity distributors are being pushed, in some cases reluctantly, to accept full competition in 1998 as well.

the need for regulation should decline. In both telecoms and gas, the recent price controls may be the last. However, the transition could be long and there will still be monopoly transmission networks that require monitoring. So the regulators will remain. They are operating as much in the political arena as any minister, and it is naive to believe they can or should be depoliticised. As with the role of the Bank of England in setting interest rates, the real question is where to draw the lines of accountability, and this issue is to be examined by two Commons committees, and is aiready under the scrutiny of an independent inquiry. The present personalised system of regulation could be replaced by boards, or even a college of all the regulators. There is also a strong case for Commons select committees being more involved in verting pointments and in reviews of the regulators' annual reports.

The more aggressive approach of the regulators and the moves towards competition in energy are both mixed blessings for Labour. The party favours a modified form of the present system, making it more transparent and tilting it more towards consumer, and it wants more competition. However, Labour has been relying on the "fat cat" abuses. both as a campaigning target and to justify its proposed £3 billion windfall levy on the utilities, which it needs to finance its youth unemployment package. The latest decisions by the regulators will not remove all "excess" profits, but they do weaken Labour's case. The Government is missing some tricks. It ought to be welcoming the regulators' activism as a means to highlight privatisation. which has been one of its few big successes since 1979.

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them further.

amazing claim in a book by John Ainsworth-Davies that Martin Bormann. the Nazi Party Secre-tary, was smuggled into Britain from Germany just as the Red Army was about to enter Berlin, publishers. Simon & Schuster, arranged a secret meeting with a former Wren who apparently helped in this operation.

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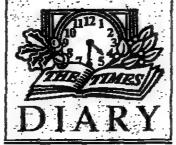
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lished shortly, the author offered to produce the woman who he says. along with James Bond author lan Fleming, played a crucial role in the operation. The woman the book calls "Susan Kemp" was duly paraded before some of the publishing house's directors, but even they admit to scepticism.

"She was certainly very plausible," says one, "but unfortunately she did not produce proof of involvement, so really we are no

Unfortunately, the mysterious lady is no longer available for interview. The author of the book is defensive: "She daren't be identified. She is now an elderly and respectable lady who sits on all sorts of committees. She wouldn't want it to be known that during the war she went around killing

 David Jenkins, whose cathedral was struck by lightening at the height of his controversial stint as the Bishop of Durham, has found himself a new job on a cruise ship. Jenkins, who got the dander up on many church-goers with his provocative views, is to be a guest



cruise around Singapore, Malaysia and Sri Lanka on the floating pulpit SS Minerva. He will be joined by a bevy of other bishops, including those of Bristol and Oxford.

Proper job

HIS POREBEARS fought battles, built stately homes and married heiresses around the world, but Lord Edward Spencer-Churchill, the second son of the Duke of Marlborough, has chosen a more conventional path. Having finished his degree in economics at Pem-broke College, Cambridge, he is about to take up a thoroughly modem job as a management consultant with the American company Bain & Co.

Spencer-Churchill, known as 'Speggy" to his friends, has set high standards within his clan, although his behaviour has seemed all the cleaner cut by contrast with the shenanigans of his older brother, the Marquis of Blandford. The present Duke has worked mightily to ensure that even though Blandford must inherit the title. control of the bulk of the estate, in-

ferred to the more sober Spencer-Churchill. Being a former oarsman and a keen shot, he should fit in well at Bain, where it's not unknown for new recruits to be slapped on the back by an athletic American male and told, "There is no 'l' in team."

cluding Blenheim, will be trans-

Yap happy

THE QUEEN has had trouble with more than one kind of royal snapper in the past. She may be able to ban the paparazzi from Balmoral, but her corgis, which have a tendency to attack each other as well as the ankles of her visitors, have had stiff treatment, including

therapy. Queen Solia of Spain is taking no h risks. She has eschewed the British royal dog and has been spotted with a brace of friendly Yorkshire terriers. Her tiny dogs.

Sasha and Inca, appeared in public with their mistress for the first time over the weekend. It is reported that they managed to remain goodtempered even during a visit to the royal palace in Majorca by the Spanish Prime Minister.

Brockery

DRUNKEN summer revellers are causing problems in North Yorkshire. The local RSPCA have had a number of calls to rescue badgers which have been overindulging in



Call Mandelson and ask what it is in the shade"

fallen fruit, which ferments and makes them tipsy. One inebriated creature had to be rescued from a swimming pool. The befuddled brock had lumbered into the empty pool and suffered cuts and bruises when it hit the bottom.

At Burythorpe, near Malton, police were called to investigate a suspected break-in. When the intruder was apprehended they dis-covered another confused badger. An RSPCA spokesman said: "They like the juice, but they don't know when to stop." I know the sort.

 Even the Proms have been affected by the inappropriate intrusion of the mobile phone. During a re-cent performance of List's Piano Concerto, a phone trilled at the most hushed and poignant moment. At the interval the Promenaders burst into impromptu song loosely based on Bob Hoskins's catchphrase. "It's NOT good to talk," they chorused.

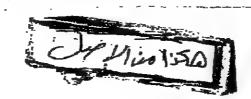
Ill-wisher

PRESIDENT CLINTON was presented with a lavish red leather book yesterday at his 50th birthday party, filled with signatures and birthday greetings from celebrities. Paul Newman, Donald Trump and Sharon Stone were among those



Stone: detailed questions who had inscribed their names and

greetings.
As Miss Stone was signing, she noticed that one page was missing. cut away close to the spine. She questioned the presidential aide who was circulating the book, but. despite her charms and detailed inquiries, he refused to divulge the name of the person who had penned what can only have been somewhat less than best wishes to the President.



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STARS AND SNIPES

ID cards have brought Howard nothing but Tory trouble

In 1950, Britons said a thankful goodbye to their wartime national identity cards. Michael Howard's plans to reintroduce something equivalent have brought the Home Secretary nothing but trouble. It was as an peal to the law-and-order instincts of his party that he first floated the idea at the 1994 Conservative Party conference; but the proposal has sharply divided the Cabinet, and the country remains deeply and properly sceptical that the proposal would be to the clear benefit of the individual.

Those in the Tory rank-and-file, for whom the point of an ID card is fighting crime, see no reason why it should not be compulsory. They argue, logically enough, that to be effective in catching criminals the possession, and production on demand, of such a card would have to be mandatory. But compulsory identification papers are out of the question for civil libertarians, including such powerful members of the Cabinet as Peter Lilley, who object in principle to ID cards as an invasion of privacy. Their misgivings have been powerfully reinforced from many quarters, including the police, se support for the introduction of purely voluntary cards has been heavily qualified by warnings that the first whiff of compulsion could generate a public backlash, damaging the precious British tradition of "policing by consent".

For two years, Mr Howard has been struggling to square these circles. Now, just as he was about to announce the Government's final plans for a voluntary ID card, he has Tory Euro-sceptics up in arms too. They have discovered that because the new ID card would be tagged on to the new European driving licence to be issued next year, it will carry the 12-star logo of the European Union flag. The result is a merry row over whether, and how prominently, it should also carry either the Union flag or the Royal Crest. Unless Mr Howard can rapidly rid his scheme of the "un-British" aura it has acquired, he faces a tetchy party conference.

In fairness, the design of the card should be seen as a secondary matter. More serious objections were presented in the course of the consultation exercise, notably by Elizabeth France, the Data Protection Registrar. She objects that the data-bases of the Driver and Vehicle Licencing Agency, which would be responsible for meeting requests for ID cards, and those of the Passport Office, are not reliable enough to ensure that the cards are fraud-proof. Birth certificates, for example, now used to obtain passports, are notoriously easy for criminals to fake. Beyond these practical concerns, she is "not satisfied that the benefits derived have been clearly enough set out to justify the erosion of privacy" involved. In this, she is not alone.

The current plan is far too modest to erode privacy significantly — as would be the case if social security numbers, for example, were included. The card will simply combine passport and licence data or, for nondrivers, will contain no more information than a passport. But the less it contains, the more it provokes the question, why bother? Why introduce an ID card, valid for EU travel only, that would do less well what a passport does already? It might, as Mr Howard says, make it easier for 18-year-olds to buy alcohol, tobacco and videos, and for people to open bank accounts. This hardly seems worth the political risks of introduc-

ing controversial primary legislation. Mr Howard clearly hopes that even though the card is voluntary, it will rapidly be seen as a necessity. But at that point, innocent people who have chosen not to apply for a card could experience trouble with police and bureaucracy. He has yet to reassure his critics on this point - and above all to allay suspicions that this is but the first step towards an ID card that tells the State more than it has any business to know.

BUREAUCRATIC HAZE

Too little has been done to enforce promises of cleaner air

At the height of last summer's heatwave the into doubt but introduces the dangerous Government promised immediate action to curb the poisonous miasma hanging over Britain's cities, cleanse the streets of car fumes and impose on-the-spot fines for drivers whose dirty engines emitted clouds of black smoke. The summer's heat is here again, and so is the noxious cocktail that reddens the eyes and kills asthmatics. Last year's promises have disappeared into a ucratic haze as umplea: hanging over city centres. For all the talk of sweeping new anti-smog measures, tough action by the Department of Transport and commitment by local authorities to tackle this nuisance, nothing has been done.

Attempting to apportion blame reveals buck-passing and indifference on a massive scale. The local authorities, who are keenest to enforce the proposed fines, have been given no extra money or manpower to do so. As they remark bitterly, their budgets are capped, their spending already stretched and their ability to hire the extra inspectors Zinited. The police, in turn, say they cannot spare staff to man the random checks unless they can be sure that local councils will pay for police time. And Department of Transport officials, playing for time, now maintain that more trial schemes are needed. On top of this, the Government insists that any inspection scheme must be self-financing. but is proposing fines for polluting lorries of around only £40.

The penalty betrays a lack of any real commitment. Would a E40 fine be a deterrent to cowboy transport operators who cut costs by cutting corners? It pays to skimp on servicing and engine maintenance, knowing that the chances at present of being caught and fined are small. To insist that an enforcement scheme must pay for itself from such paltry fines not only throws its viability

principle that something illegal cannot be stopped unless the money can first be found to deal with it. It smacks of the worst kind of political cant emollient promises of quick action during the few hot days when public ire is aroused, followed by inaction and expectation that public concern will die down.

What makes this reaction all the more cynical is the evident keeness of the public to in in any campaign for cleaner air. Pedestrians, especially those with small children, are angered by lorries, buses and taxis that belch out black exhaust. They are not equipped to remonstrate in person with the driver - it would be often risky to take on the aggression ready to burst out of the lorry cab - but would willingly report the offending vehicle. The Smoky Vehicle Hotline was set up in response to such public spiritedness but there are only eight numbers for the entire country. Who knows the telephone number, or has any confidence that action will be taken?

The huge majority of drivers also care about clean air and maintain their engines properly. Research has found that almost half all traffic pollution is caused by just 10 per cent of the vehicles. It is not difficult. therefore, to spot and deal with those breaching the emission standards. But six months after local authorities were told by the transport department that they would be given lasting powers to deal with pollution. the draft regulations have still not reached them. Much can be done to reduce the harm to people and cities caused by cars: more speed-limits, better public transport, tighter manufacturing standards and more bypasses. These all take time and money. Policing the emission standards costs far less and would make a far bigger immediate difference. All it takes is political will.

ESCAPE FROM KANDAHAR

Those magnificent Russians in their flying machine

Who did not rejoice with the seven dare-devil Russian hostages at their courageous escape from captivity in Afghanistan? It was a story worthy of James Bond, Indiana Jones or even Biggles. It had all the ingredients of a Hollywood adventure - as it doubtless soon will be: airmen shot down by tribal fanatics, held captive in a war-torn country, repeatedly promised freedom and disappointed as negotiations turned sour, finally triumphant after planning, pluck and luck win the day.

For the Russians, accustomed daily to the dreary news of military bungling and humiliation in Chechenia, it was electrifying news. Heroism has been in short supply. Even on Russian cinema screens, adventure nowadays has to be imported: dubbed Bond films or old Cold War spy thrillers, where the Russians were invariably the ones who were outwitted and outgunned. Old homegrown Soviet adventure - Reds v. Whites or Heroine Mother meets Tractor - were no longer watchable or credible. No one had the budget for escapist films with the panache of Independence Day. Now seven men have arrived home with an unbeatable script. They can tell their countrymen that Russian ingenuity can, in the end, outwit the Afghan foe. It is sweet revenge for a decade of humiliation in the Afghan mountains. There

will be medals, memoirs and films galore. The Russian Government, of course, has been quick to buff its own tarnished record

with the tale. Vitali Ignatenko, a Deputy Prime Minister, flew to the Gulf state of Shariah to greet the Magnificent Seven. Before accompanying them home he laid claim to months of clandestine negotiations with the wily guerrillas, and hinted that Russia had arranged the necessary airspace clearance over Iran and Pakistan. An American Senator, not to be outdone also claimed that he was the man to persuade the Afghan guards to give the aircrew access to their plane. If so, he must have a silver tongue that is testimony to the persuasive powers of the US Senate.

The fun in real life adventure lies in the details: the captain getting the motors going. one by one; the bewildered Taleban rushing on to the tarmac; the plane ducking and diving at treetop level; the hapless guards bundled up in the back of the plane. astonished but unharmed.

Most of life is mundane. But even an ordinary mishap can demand daring that seems inspired by films. Consider the passenger in Australia who was dangled by his legs over the side of a light aircraft to release the trapped undercarriage mechanism. He was, he admitted, extremely frightened: but he took care to borrow some money beforehand from those holding him to ensure their firm grip. It is the sang-froid that makes him, and the Russian crew. heroes of our time.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Collapse of civic identity and the role of the community

From Dr Ratnam Niththyananthan

Sir. David Selbourne's article of August 14, "The demands of our day", echoes the profound unease felt by many of us as we witness the rapid deterioration of values and ethical standards in our society.

As a Tamil who came to Britain 30 years ago, I have witnessed this deterioration, coupled with a loss of sense of civic identity and lack of national direction. It is perhaps more apparent to those of us who have come here from Third World countries, where traditional values of family integrity and social responsibility still prevail.

The roots of this problem are surely to be found in an educational system that produces lo-year-olds who leave school illiterate, innumerate and without any sense of social and civic responsibility.

At the London Tamil Centre - a weekend, mother-tongue school for 200 children, combined with a voluntary advisory clinic for the elderly — we aim to inculcate ethical and social values in our children which will replace the teaching that is sadly lacking in the state schools. The loss of the close ties that once

bound families together is another destabilising factor: so is the influence of television programmes, with their daily offerings of sex and violence. If our sense of civic and national integrity is not to disappear completely, there is an urgent need for a nation-

The marriage service

From Prebendary Dr Chad Varah

ment has been widely ignored.

Sir, Most of the clergy who still use the

wide movement, transcending all ethnic and religious boundaries. It is time for men and women of goodwill to come together to initiate such a movement and to reverse a trend which, if allowed to continue, will lead to the complete collapse of civilised

Yours faithfully, RATNAM NITHTHYANANTHAN (Headmaster), London Tamil Centre,

179 Norval Road, North Wembley, Middlesex. August 14.

From Mr Charles Hunser

Sir, I am not "in . . . despair" as David Selbourne suggests. Most if not all the examples of institutions which Mr Selbourne claims are being destroyed by politicians — among them local authorities and the public utilities would surely survive if they had widespread support.

I do not recognise a general loss of civic identity — indeed, in London, I find our communities gathering in maturity and cohesion (my unsupported assertions as good as any-one's). People increasingly find little use for de haut en bas formal civic institutions, and these are being replaced by less formalised structures which are closer to the community, being derived from and involving those com-

As our society matures, moral

choice becomes ever more complex. However, this should not mean we should drift pessimistically into Mr Selbourne's falsely haleyon dreams of institutional beneficence, nor into the moralistic simplicities of earlier ages. Unlike Mr Selbourne, I find "moral

turmoil" an exciting challenge - a challenge long denied me because moral choices were taken for me by my elders and betters (often in civic institutions). Yours sincerely, CHARLES HUNTER,

24 Hogarth House, Erasmus Street, SWI. August 14.

From Mr C. N. Hill

Sir. I read Mr Selbourne's article today with incredulity. "The fraudulent conversion of our public utilities . . . into private assets disgusts millions of us." Not me, Sir. Is there one instance where a privatised utility has not provided a better service and provided it at a lower cost?

I am faxing this to you today because the Post Office is on strike land because a fax via BT, a privatised company, is quicker, cheaper and more convenient).

Yours faithfully, C. N. HILL, 53a St John's Street. Farncombe, Surrey.

Deliberation on change to gun laws

From Sir Ivan Lawrence, QC,

Book of Common Prayer take advantage of at least some of the "additions Sir. I am disappointed in your coverand deviations" provided in the revision of 1928, whose rejection by Parlia-August 14; letters August 8, 16).

Mr Quentin Letts ("Spare us Mo-Marriage", August 14; see also, report August 13) might prefer a service which tells him, for instance, that "secondly, it was ordained for a remedy against sin, and to avoid fornication, that such persons as have not the gift of continency might marry"; but most couples in love politely reject "the gift of continency" and prefer "secondly, it was ordained in order that the natural instincts and affections, implanted by God should be

hallowed and directed aright".

It surely doesn't matter that those who use the Register Office - in many cases because a divorce disqualifies them from the Solemnisation of Holy Matrimony - have fewer words can subsequently have a Church blessing which uses much of the beautiful language of the Prayer Book, with hymnody.

CHAD VARAH. St Stephen Walbrook, EC4. August 14.

From the Earl of Gowrie

Sir, God Bless the marriage of Ouentin Letts and Lois Rathbone, to be solemnised by the Book of Common Prayer. Our Church's abandoning of the BCP and the Authorised Version of the Bible is the biggest act of cultural vandalism in my adult lifetime: an equivalent of Cromwell's men hacking off the noses of carved saints in Ely Cathedral in their iconoclastic frenzy almost 250 years ago, Indeed. the Church's good intentions only highlight the horror of the deed.

Yours faithfully. GOWRIE. House of Lords. August 14.

A move for Sir Walter?

From Sir Duncan Oppenheim

Sir, Dr Brian Porter (letter, August 12) suggests that the statue of Sir Walter Raleigh be moved from Whitehall (where it is hardly noticeable) to the strip of land fronting the National Gallery.

That is precisely the location sought and refused when the statue was commissioned in the 1950s as part of the celebrations of the 350th anniversary of the first landings at Jamestown, Virginia. The proposal was to place Sir Walter next to George Washington in place of King James II, who was to be removed to a more relevant site.

Yours faithfully, DUNCAN OPPENHEIM, 43 Edwardes Square, W8. August 13.

Maddened by bells

From Mr Andrew Wilby

Sir. Mr Richard Berkley-Matthews (letter, August 12) claims that Lundy Island bells are causing disruption to the peace of the island.

The amount of ringing is controlled by the ringers in order to ensure that there is no such disruption. In addition, the weather-proofing and sound insulation in the tower is so substantial that unless the louvres are deliberately opened up, the bells cannot be heard more than a few yards from the church.

I must invite Mr Berkley-Matthews to pull the other one.

Yours faithfully. ANDREW WILBY (Ringing Master, Lundy Island Society of Ringers). Nelson's Yard.

Towcester, Northamptonshire.

emotion which seems to be influencing objective judgment on this issue.

MP for Burton (Conservative)

age of the majority report on hand-guns by the Home Affairs Select Committee (reports and leading article,

We did not mount a "do-nothing defence", as your leader alleges, but made 23 positive recommendations for improvement and change. We did not recommend that doctors should judge on the fitness of any individual to own a gun: we suggested only that the applicant should include a section on his/her medical history which a GP should verify if the information supplied by the applicant is true. We certainly did not place a pre-

mium on cost-saving above the saving of life, as you imply by your assertion that "the appeal to the wallet . . . reinforces the unhappy impression that Conservatives reduce every moral question to a matter of cash". Nor were we "reticent" in commenting about alleged leaks, as stated in one of your reports: we are bound by parliamentary rules not to discuss a report until the day of publication.

Neither, so far as I am aware, has David Maclean, Home Affairs Minister of State, "distanced" the Government from our conclusions. He has said no more than that a select committee is an independent parliamentary body, not a creature of government, and that the Government set up Lord Cullen's inquiry to provide guidance for legislation upon which it will

I hope that these inadequacies are not an indication that The Times, too, has been swept along on the tide of

suits, and in some cases their livelihoods, we should only do so by reasoned argument following mature reflection? One further point. Today you publish a letter from the President of the Police Superintendents' Association, Mr Brian Mackenzie, denying that his association has changed its evi-

Surely if we are to legislate to deprive

200,000 decent British citizens of their

rights to leisure and sporting pur-

dence since the committee hearing. I would remind Mr Mackenzie that in his association's written evidence to the committee he said: The Association accepts that the total banning of the private possession of handguns would be too draconian and an unacceptable restriction on the liberty of the citize

.. a simple ban on keeping handguns at home would not solve the problem. Furthermore, giving oral evidence

President of the Association of Chief Police Officers, Sir James Sharples -Mr Mackenzie said: "I do not think anybody is suggesting the banning of handguns." When John Greenway, MP, replied: "But other people are," Sir James stated:

Our evidence to this committee is that a ban is inappropriate for very good reasons. What we are insistent upon saying is that there needs to be a strong regulatory frame-Yours faithfully.

IVAN LAWRENCE (Chairman. Home Affairs Select Committee). House of Commons.

August 16.

Availability of abortion From Mr Nicholas Richardson

Sir. Your leading article of August 8,

"Hard choices", about the abortion debate (see also letters, August 7, 10, 15 rightly advocates "a bracing reevaluation of difficult questions". It has indeed been taken for granted by most people for a long time that "NHS doctors would consent to abortions only if their refusal would result in significant harm".

Unfortunately, however, few people are aware of just how liberally the concept of "significant harm" has been interpreted in practice. Published statistics show that only some 2 per cent of abortions are carried out because of risk to the mother's life or a substantial risk that the child would be born seriously handicapped.

Some 98 per cent are performed on healthy women and healthy babies. Many abortions are due to much less strictly defined criteria, which often amount in reality to little more than the convenience of the mother, or the social pressures she is under.

These pressures can seem very strong at the time, but many women are unaware of the consequent dangers to their mental and physical health. There is now a very substantial body of evidence concerning "postabortion trauma" - the severe and long-lasting psychological distur-bance which affects the health of many women who have lost a baby in The time will come for a reassess-

ment of the costs to society in terms of health and whether, after all, abortion is really the lesser of two evils. In the meantime, the shortage of children available for adoption by childless couples has led to increased demand for various forms of artificial and assisted conception, which in turn raises serious moral problems. The recent and shocking case of the

aborted twin has stirred consciences which have long been dormant. Surely it is high time that what had seemed to many a dead issue should again become a live debate.

Yours faithfully, NICHOLAS RICHARDSON (Chairman, South Oxon Life Group). The Old House, 72 High Street, Sutton Courtenay, Abingdon, Oxfordshire. August 9.

Salopian nights

From Dr Alan B. Shrank

Sir, Benedict Nightingale's miserable evening out in London ("A dim view from Row Y", Arts, August 12) is in sharp contrast to the delights of a service, known as the Concerts Coach. pioneered in Shrewsbury and now in its tenth year.

Hired coaches take us from the centre of Shrewsbury - within walking distance for many - then pick up others on the way and take us not only to concerts in Birmingham's wonderful Symphony Hall but also to theatres in Stratford-upon-Avon, Mold, Newton and Birmingham.

The coaches leave after 5.30pm, mostly returning after about 10pm, so we take picnic suppers to enjoy on the journey, with no worries about driving, parking or seeking a meal. We also patronise festivals in Chester, Cheltenham, Malvern and Lichfield and recently travelled down to Glyndebourne for the weekend.

Derek Wharton, the genius behind it all, issues a quarterly programme (usually of around 40 events) to a mailing list of 1,200 households. Since he sells nearly 10,000 tickets a year, the discounts he achieves almost pay for the cost of having the coach: he puts burns on seats and so helps the entertainments industry to survive.

Shropshire, which inaugurated the Industrial Revolution, now has a cultural revolution under way.

Yours sincerely, ALAN B. SHRANK, 20 Crescent Place, Town Walls, Shrewsbury, Shropshire. August 14.

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Roman Britain's secrets explored

From Brigadier W. P. Bewley

Sir, Dr M. C. Bishop (letter, August 14) disputes your report's assertion (August 7) that Roman spears were designed to break on landing. He explains that they penetrated shield and armour and frequently bent after im-

Vegetius (4th century AD), in Epitoma Rei Militaris, 1, 20, describes the weapon as having a thin triangular head such as, once lodged in a shield, could not be broken off and when thrown skilfully might pierce a

Polybius (2nd century BC) describes the early pilum as having a head rivet-ted so securely that the blade would break before the shaft was loosened. This meant that once thrown it could be reused by the enemy even if the

head itself was broken. Gaius Marius (1st century BC) adopted a design which had reduced the number of rivets to two, but made one of them wooden. The wooden pin would break on impact and the iron rivet would bend, rendering the wea-pon useless. Unfortunately the modification proved impracticable.

Caesar (also 1st century BC) confined the tempering of the blade to the point; the soft, untempered neck of the blade bent on impact where it joined

... a single spear often pierced more than one of the Gauls | overlapping shields and pinned them together, and ... they could not pull them out ... many, after repeated attempts to jerk their arms free, preferred to drop the shields and fight unprote (The Conquest of Gaul. 1, 25).

Yours faithfully. BILL BEWLEY. Jan da Mar,

l Ivy Place, London Road, Strangaer, Dumfries and Galloway. August 14.

From the Reverend Professor Emeritus W. H. C. Frend, FBA

Sir, The pattern of the mosaic in the small church at Silchester (article, August 13) was a chequer-board and not a crucifix. In fact, no specifically Christian material was found on the site during the excavations. The church ceased to be used as such circa 370, when it became a haunt for squat-

Its history typifies the ultimate lack of success of Christianity in Roman Britain and the resulting profound difference between our history and that of our continental neighbours.

Yours faithfully, WILLIAM H. C. FREND, Little Wilbraham, Cambridge. August 14.

From Mr J. D. Peek

Sir, The original object of the Romans in founding Wroxeter (article, August 13) was most probably to tempt the tribe away from the Iron Age hill fort they occupied on the Wrekin by offering running water and modern housing beside the Severn, and allowing them to keep their old name, Uri-

conjum. This name is derived from Wrekin. a Celtic place-name meaning rocky escarpment (or ridge), as a number of other examples (including some in Francel attest.

Yours faithfully, JOHN PEEK, Les Broches (rocky escarpment). Chambonas, 07140 Les Vans, France. August 15.

From Mr Edgar Samuel

Sir, The suggestion reported (August 8) by your Archaeology Correspondent that the name London means "a marshy place" is unlikely, since Londinium itself (as opposed to its surroundings) was not marshy. The Roman army's sappers chose the site because its river bank provided a firm gravel base for a bridge.

Londinium consisted of two high and dry gravel-topped terraces, Cornhill and Ludgate Hill, with the river Walbrook between them. The traditional derivation of London from the Old Welsh *llong dyn* ("ship hill") seems much more likely.

Yours faithfully. EDGAR SAMUEL Reform Club. Pall Mall, SWI. August 9.

From Mr J. Paterson

Sir. The article (August 12) on the Antonine Wall triggered a dim recollec-tion of my rudimentary encounter with the Latin language 60-odd years

Your reporter stated that the broad ditch which fronted the wall was known as the vallum. It was in fact known as the fossa. The rampart was

I am grateful for the opportunity to parade this snippet of useless information after so many years.

Yours sincerely, J. PATERSON, 3 Shore Road, Port Bannatyne. Rothesay, Island of Bute. August 13.

From Mr P. M. Burrows

Sir, Any old soldier can guess what the building of Hadrian's Wall (article, August 5) was for: to give the Stanegate fort garrisons something to occupy their minds.

Yours faithfully, P. M. BURROWS, 41 Harrison Close, Reigate, Surrey.



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BALMORAL CASTLE

August 17: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, accompanied by The Princess Royal and Captain Timothy Laurence RN, disembarked from HMY Britannia this morning at Aberdeen and were received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of the City of Aberdeen (Mrs Margaret Farquhar, the Lord

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness, with Her Royal Highness and Captain Laurence RN, subsequently

drove to Balmoral Castle. Having been received on arrival at the Castle by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Aberdeenshire (Captain Colin Farquharson of Whitehouse). The Queen presented the New Ballater Colour to The Queen's Guard (1st Battalion, The Black Watch, Royal Highland Regiment).

BALMORAL CASTLE August 18: Divine Service was held in Crathie Parish Church this morning. The Reverend Robert Sloan preached the

ST JAMES'S PALACE August 18: The Prince of President, Royal Shakespeare Company, today gave a Reception for members of The Prince of Wales' Shake-

speare School.

Birthdays today

The American President celebrates his 50th birthday today. Professor Quentin Bell, art historian, S6: Commandant Daphne Blundell, former director, WRNS, 80; Mr Gordon Brand, Jr., golfer, 38: Lord Cocks of Hartcliffe, 67; Mr John Deacon, guitarist and songwriter, 45; Mr K. H. M. Dixon. former chairman, Rowntree. 67; Marquess of Douro, 51; Mr C. J. Driver. Master, Wellington College,

Lady Dunbar of Hempriggs, 90; Dame Rose Heilbron, former High Court judge, 82; Mr E. R. Heward, former Chief Master of the Supreme Court, 84; Professor Sir David Hopwood, geneticist, 63; Mr Stephen Hughes. MEP, 44: Mr Richard Ingrams, former Editor, Private Eye, 59; Mr C.W. Jonas, corporate property strategist. 55: Mr David Lodge, actor, 75; Mr John Marshall, MP, 56; the Right Rev- Dr Michael Nazir-Ali, Bishop of Rochester, 47; Mr Michael Roper, former Keeper of Public Records, 64.

Mr Willie Shoemaker, racehorse trainer; 65; Mrs Phyllida Stewart-Roberts, former superintendent-in-chief, St John Ambulance Brigade, 63; Mr John Taylor, MP, 55; Mr G.W. von Mallinckrodt, president, Schroders, 66; Dr G. E. Watkins, chairman and managing director. Conoco UK, 53; Surgeon Vice-Admiral Sir James Watt, 82; Mr Henry Wyndham, chairman, Sotheby's UK, 43.

Latest wills

to relatives.

Lady Wilson of High Wray, of Gillingate, Kendal, Cumbria, left estate valued at £372,638 net.

Lady Redshaw, of Ireleth, Askam in Furness, Cumbria, left estate valued at £264,970 Lady Bull, of Great Easton, Dunmow, Essex, left estate valued at £100,776 net. She left her estate mostly to relatives. Sir Orby Howell Mootham, of Teddington, Middlesex, left estate valued at £520,347 net. He left his estate mostly to

net. She left her estate mostly

Nature notes

YOUNG greenfinches are flying about with their parents making loud plaintive calls in fed by them. Some great tits and coal tits are taking up their autumn territories, challenging each other with vigorous songs, but they will also join up and forage with a flock of wandering tits and goldcrests that passes nearby. Nuthatches are calling again, like a man half-whistling under his breath; they too will ioin the tit flocks temporarily.

In chalk country there are many brilliant blue and mauve flowers. Nettle-leaved bellflower has silky ultramarine petals. Greater knapweed has disc-like flowerheads that seem to be fraying at the edge: generally it grows tall, but in grazed meadows it can flourish close to the ground. Water forget-me-nots cluster at the

edge of streams. Bright pink wild basil often grows alongside marjoram.



The nuthatch

which has a mixture of pale pink and crimson in its flowerheads. Where cow parsley grew in the spring there can now be seen a daintier relative, upright hedge parsley.

Peacock and red admiral butterflies lie on leaves with open wings in the early morning sun since they need to warm their muscles before they can fly properly: after-wards, they suck the nectar from the buddleia flowers.



Historians and gardeners rally to save town's hidden treasure

remarkable secret garden in the heart of the Dorset town of Bridport have come

before the High Court. Hidden away only 200 yards from the main street, Downe Hall is the archetypal secret garden depicted in children's stories. Until recently it was lived in by a reclusive old lady.

Downe Hall was built in the late 18th

century for William Downe and reputedly modelled on his London house. In the late 19th century, the house and grounds were remodelled by E. S. Prior, the Arts and Crafts movement architect, to add terraces and a sunken rose garden.

The handsome Georgian house is surrounded by a belt of 200-year-old trees encircling 14 acres of park and pleasure grounds. The site is a haven for wildlife, and includes numerous badger

Objectors to the development claim that West Dorset District Council had ignored its own policies in granting permission to build eight four-bedroomed houses with double garages next to the hall, which is Grade II* listed and situated in a conservation area and an Area Of Oustanding Natural Beauty. In response, the council claims that development is necessary to save the hall

David Lambert of the Garden History Society said: "The proposals will destroy

Penelope Hophouse, the garden writer, said: "It's a scandal. The hillside site is wonderful and you see an oasis of green for miles around. The trees are very splendid and were it to be sold to a sympathetic buyer, the place has huge potential.

English Heritage only added the landscape to its register of historic parks and gardens after the council had agreed in principle to the development. Sir Jocelyn Stevens, the chairman of English Heritage, has recognised that his organisation "initially missed the full value of the garden", and has ordered the appointment of three new garden inspectors for Downe Hall. The posts are currently being advertised.

The developers are the Dorset firm of C. G. Fry, who are the Prince of Wales's builders at the Poundbury project on the outskirts of Dorchester. Eddie Fry, a director of the company, said: "The eight houses will help to save the hall. We've already spent £50,000 on repairs to the roof and without them the whole place would have been eaten up by dry rot. As part of the deal, ten acres of park on Coneygar Hill above the hall will be handed to the town for the enjoyment of

"We have to take down some trees to make space for the new houses, but most of these were planted in about 1800 and

planting many more trees than we cut

The Countess of Sandwich, who is chairwoman of the Dorset Gardens Trust, said: "The property has never been put on the market and the need for the new houses has not been proven. The council has quoted a figure of £100.000 for repairs. This does not justify building eight houses in the garden and sub dividing the hall into five flats."

Neil Burton of the Georgian Group says: "We would greatly prefer to see Downe Hall sold as a house with its

The historian John Harris said: "English Heritage acknowledged that its registers of historic parks and gardens needed to be expanded when they were first published. They are particularly weak on town gardens, which tend to be much less well known than country house gardens."

Permission to apply for leave for judicial review of West Dorset District Council's decision has been granted to a group of local residents. They now plan to seek an order preventing building work from starting until the case has been heard.

day with Sunday lunch and afternoon

grounds intact."

The residents of Bridport will be able to see the house and grounds for the first time at the end of this month when the local Rotary holds a summer ball in the hall which will be followed by an open

extraordinary example. It's hard to think are at the end of their life. We will be teas.

BIRTHS: James Crichton, the "Admirable Crichton", athlete, scholar, poet and linguist. Eliock, Dumfriesshire, 1560; Gerbrand van den Eeckhout. painter. Amsterdam, 1621: John Dryden, Poet Laureate 1670-89, Northampton, 1631; John Flamstead, 1st Astrono-mer Royal 1675-1719, Denby,

Derbyshire, 1646. John Brand, antiquary and topographer, Washington, Co Durham. 1744; James Hall, historian and poet. Philadelphia, 1793; James Nasmyth. inventor of the steam hammer. Edinburgh, 1808; Charles Doughty, traveller in Arabia.

Today's anniversaries Leiston, Suffolk, 1843; Orville Wright, pioneer of aviation, Dayton, Ohio. 1871; Georges Enesco, violinist and composer, Liveni, Romania, 1881: Gabrielle (Coco) Chanel, fashion designer, Issoire, France,

Sir Arthur Waley, orientalist, London, 1889; Ogden Nash, writer of humorous verse, Rye, New York, 1902.

DEATHS: Augustus, Roman emperor 27BC-AD14, Nola, near Naples, ADI4; Andrea Palladio, architect, Vicenza. 1580: Blaise Pascal, philosopher, Paris, 1662; Jan De Witt, republican, assassinated in The Hague, 1672; Robert Bloomfield, poet, Shefford, Bedfordshire, 1823; Sir Martin Archer Shee, President of the Royal Academy 1830-45, Brighton, 1850; Charles Gerhardt, chemist, Stras-

bourg, 1856. George Smith, archaeologist, Aleppo, Syria, 1876; Rich-ard Burdon Haldane, Ist Viscount Haldane, creator of the Territorial Army, Cloan, Tayside, 1928; Sergei Diaghilev, impresario, Venice, 1929: Sir Henry Wood, conductor of the Promenade concerts 1895-1944. Hitchin, Hertfordshire,

1944: Subhas Chandra Bose. Indian nationalist, Taiwan, 1945; Groucho Marx, comic actor. Santa Monica, California, 1977.

The first English colonists arrived in America on the coast of Maine, 1605,

Gary Powers, the American pilot of the U2 spy plane, was sentenced to ten years' detention by a Soviet Court, 1960.

Poland became the first country in eastern Europe to end one-party rule when Solidarity's Tadeuz Mazowiecki became Prime Minister, 1989.

Marriages

Mr M.P. Trowbridge and Miss L Oxley

ADRIAN SHERRATT

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of St John the Baptist Knaresborough, of Mr Martin Trowbridge, younger son of Rear-Admiral Sir Richard and Lady Trowbridge, of Old ldsworth. Hampshire, to Miss Louise Oxley, only daughter of the late Mr Cyril Oxley and of Mrs Heather Oxley, of Harrogate. The Rural Dean of Harrogate and

Dom Benet Perceval, officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by the bridegroom's father, was attended by Jack Trowbridge, Jenny Wright, Alice Scott. Jessica Harland and Mrs Louise Minford. Mr Alex Minford was best man.

A reception was held at The Arkendale. Vicarage. Knaresborough, and the honeymoon will be spent in Peru, Ecuador and the Galapagos.

Mr C.D. Bremne and Miss P.M.B. Wilson

The marriage took place on Saturday. August 17, at Vann. Hambledon, Surrey, between Mr Clive Bremner, son of Mr Ray and Mrs Eleanor Parsley, of Worthing, and Miss Tricia Wilson, daughter of Mr Geoffrey and Mrs Margaret Wilson, of Ludlow.

Mr J.R.G. Job and Ms A. McL. Dumas

A Service of Blessing following the marriage of Jonathan, elder son of the Rev Roger and Mrs Job. of Ropley. Hampshire. to Alice. daughter of the late Lieutenant Commander Richard Dumas and of Mrs Annabella Dumas, of Poolewe, Wester Ross, took place at All Saints', Farringdon, on Saturday, August 17, 1996.

The bridegroom's father officiated and Captain Christopher Job. The King's Regiment was best

A reception was held at Twyford School, Winchester, and the honeymoon will be spent in

The marriage took place on Saturday at the Church of All Saints, Bisley. Gloucestershire, of Mr Quentin Letts, son of Mr and Mrs Richard Letts, of Cirencester, to Miss Lois Rathbone, daughter of Mr and Mrs Patrick Rathbone, of Hoarwithy, Hereford and Worcester. The Rev Ian Farrow and the

Rev Gillean Craig officiated. The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Fergus and Isobel: McIntosh, Georgia Rawlinson and Alexander Holmes. Mr Christopher Payton was best man.

A reception was held at Scrubs Bottom. Bisley, and the honey-moon will be spent in the

Mr M.C.J. Phillips

and Miss I. Schuller

The marriage took place discreetly on Friday, August 16, at St Etheldreda's, Ely Place, ECI, be-tween Mr Michael Phillips, son of the late Major Peter Phillips, MC, and of Mrs Madeleine Phillips, of Welwyn, Hertfordshire, to Miss Ildiko Schuller, daughter of Mr and Mrs Ervin Schuller, of Reading, Berkshire, and Karád, Hun-

The bride was given in marriage by her father and Mr Marks Moore was best man. Father Kit

Cunningham officiated. A family reception was held the Angel, Rotherhithe and the honeymoon is being spent in Belgium and Spain.

and Miss U. Chandaria

The marriage took place on Sunday, August 18. at the Oshwai, Centre, Northaw, Herrfordshire, of Mr Vijal Shah, younger son of Mr and Mrs Premchand Shah, of North West London, to Miss Urvina Chandaria, twin daughter of Mr and Mrs Babulai Chandaria, of Bexleyheath, Kent.

The bride was attended by Miss Bina Chandaria, Mrs Darsha Shah, Mrs Jyoti Shah and Miss Shiipa Gudka. Dr Sachit Shah and Dr

Mansukh Shah were best men.

Mr D. Immelman

Forthcoming marriages

Mr C.J. Clay and

Miss S.A. Boissier-Wyles

The engagement is announced between Charlie, son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Clay, of Longstowe, Cambridge, and Sally, daughter of Mr and Mrs Timothy Boissier-Wyles, of Burton-in-Lonsdale, North Yorkshire.

Mr A.P. Dineley and Miss S.K. Kelly

The engagement is announced between Perin, only son of Mr and St John, Willishire, and Sonja, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Francis Kelly, of Co West Meath,

The Hon J.M. Fraser and Miss K.S. Geiser

The engagement is announced between Jamie, son of Lord and Lady Fraser, of Carmyllie, Angus, and Katie, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs Peter Geiser, of Nunthorpe, Cleveland.

Mr KJ.N. Hillas and Miss S.J. Bennett

The engagement is announced between Keith, son of Mr and Mrs Douglas Hillas, of Swanland, East Yorkshire, and Sarah, daughter of Professor and Mrs John R. Ben-

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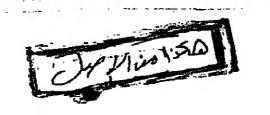
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THE VERY REV ERIC EVANS

The Very Rev Eric Evans, KCVO, Dean of St Paul's since 1988, died on August 17 aged 68. He was born on February 1, 1928.

ric Evans, who died on holiday in Gloucestershire, was a typically gregarious Welshman from West Wales who won the affection of the Stands of people by his smile, his welcome, his many kindnesses and his hospitality. The Deanery of St Paul's was to offer him a national platform from which he could. and did. combine his warm personality with a direct and straightforward preaching of the Christian faith and a firm loyalty to the Queen and the British monarchy. He never wavered in these convictions.

Born into the educational culture of the Weish valleys, Thomas Eric Evans secured his first degree at St David's College, Lampeter, after which he moved on to St Catherine's College, Oxford, and, as an ordinand, to St Stephen's House, one of the most Anglo-Caraplic of Anglican theologi-

Ordained deacon in 1954, he was priested at Canterbury Cathedral a year later by Geoffrey Fisher, the highly traditionalist ninety-ninth Archbishop, with whom he struck up a warm friendship. After curacies at Margate and Bournemouth, during which he founded the Bournemouth branch of the Samaritans, he moved to Gloucester to become, for seven years, the diocesan youth chaplain.

Basil Guy, then Bishop of Gloucester, appointed Evans as diocesan canon missioner in 1969, in which post he also became a residentiary canon of Gloucester Cathedral, an office he kept on his preferment to the archdeaconry of Cheltenham in 1975. These jobs permitted him to live in the Close at Gloucester for 19 yea * gand he came to love the city. The cathedral and the diocese with a deep and last-



ing affection. Long after his move to St Paul's, he could still frequently be heard proposing some course of action which he had advocated when he was "in that cathedral in the West". His colleagues laughed and nudged each other, whispering sotto voce: "There he goes again.

His ministry "in the West" led him to various duties such as being a governor of Chel-tenham Ladies' College, a chaplain to the Air Training Corps, the Gloucester College of Education and the Gloucestershire Constabulary. He chaired, or served, on a full range of diocesan councils and committees and was, for three years, chairman of the Diocesan Synod's House of Clergy. Evans was elected to the

General Synod in 1970 and

served until 1995. He was on its standing committee from 1981 to 1988. In 1978 he became both a Church Commissioner and a director of the Ecclesiastical Insurance Office, being appointed at once to the Church Commissioners' inner board of governors, on which he served for 16 years.

His appointment to St Paul's was widely believed to have been owed to the direct hand of Margaret Thatcher. (Prime Ministers can still personally select deans, though no longer bishops). She had never quite forgiven the previous regime for the tone of the Falklands thanksgiving service of July 1982 and thought it was high time the cathedral put its house in order. She was, therefore, looking for an administrator rather than a

scholar and Evans, who had little claim to intellectual disfinction, certainly fitted that

At first he found himself

surrounded by a less than united chapter - it was Dean Inge who once said that a Dean of St Paul's is "a mouse watched by four cats" - but gradually that situation changed. Here he was luckier than his predecessor, the scholarly Alan Webster, for the arrival of three new residentiary canons within the space of 18 months in 1990-91 effectively put an end to most of the previous notorious backbiting within Amen Court. These personnel changes ensured that his last five years as Dean of St Paul's were very happy ones. But the perceptible change in atmosphere also

owed something to his own warm and friendly personality.

It was only ill-health that led to his decison to resign at the age of 68 (he could have continued until he was 70). He died six weeks before his scheduled retirement date of September 30 - and while the name of his successor still awaited an official announce-

Throughout his eight years as Dean he gave himself unsparingly to the City of London. He was appointed a Freeman in 1988 and chaplain to the Guild of Freemen, and annually conducted the brief Blessing of the Lord Mayor which takes place during the Lord Mayor's Show in November. He was made an Honorary Freeman of the

Worshipful Company of Gardeners in 1992.

As Dean, he also served as Dean of the Order of St Michael and St George and the Order of the British Empire, and in his last few weeks was appointed KCVO, to his considerable pleasure the took great pride in his relationship with the Royal Family). He also received an honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the City University in 1993.

Evans was an Anglo-Catho-lie by conviction and strongly opposed the ordination of women. Nevertheless, he remained committed to the Church of England and, with the Chapter (itself divided on the issue), worked out a modus vivendi with regard to women's ministry within the cathedral and in the parishes within the patronage of the Dean and Chapter.

is later months were clouded by industrial troubles involving the cathedral's lay staff, including a much-publicised claim by a woman virger for unfair dismissal. A controversial innovation

- though St Paul's was not the first cathedral to move in this direction - was the introduction of the practice of charging everyone but worshippers for entry. Neither he nor the Chapter liked the idea but by 1991 it was virtually a matter of bankruptcy or of charging, and the Chapter bit the bullet.

A happier memory was the commemoration of the 50th anniversary of VE-Day in May 1995. Evans and his colleagues were hosts to more than fifty Heads of State from all over the World, in a memorable act of worship.

He enjoyed an annual cruise chaplaincy in the Eastern Mediterranean and frequently visited (and sometimes judged) dog shows with his wife, Linda, who breeds border collies. His wife and two daughters

survive him.

ANNE KRISTEN

Anne Kristen, actress, died of cancer on August 7 aged 59. She was born in Glasgow on March 7.

ANNE KRISTEN was one of Scotland's best-loved actresses. Her work was known to audiences all over Britain through her many television roles - especially in the BBC's Casualty - but almost all her stage appearances were made north of the border. She was a loyal member of such groups as the Citizens Theatre in Glasgow and the 7:84 Company, and she played both classical and modern roles.

Anne Kristen enjoyed a cultured upbringing. Her father was the literary editor of the Glasgow Herald and at Laurel Bank High School where she was educated she was encouraged to act and sing in the school's plays. From school she went

straight to the Royal Scottish Academy of Music and Drama where, on graduating, she was awarded the academy's gold medal which entitled her to join the Citizens Theatre straight away. It was there that her real commitment to her profession was nurtured. Many will remember her engaging performances as Eliza Doolinle, St Joan, Lady Teazle (directed by the young Albert Finney) and Beatie in Arnold Wesker's Roots. But it was her calmness, honesty and mischievous humour that most endeared her to the company.

Her stage appearances in England were few, perhaps the most memorable being in Juno and the Paycock at the Nottingham Playhouse and in The Crucible at The National Theatre. It was Scottish audiences, however, who saw her in what was perhaps her finest part: that of Vertie in that medieval Scottish political saga The Thrie Estaites. Tom Fleming first directed the play in the Assembly Hall for the 1984 Edinburgh Festival, but after the festival it was taken to Warsaw where it received

standing ovations.

Kristen was in many television dramas, including Wings, Good Time Girls, Spoils of War, Swallows and Amazons, Minder, Taggart, Dr Finlay and Hamish Macbeth). But the part that brought her particular fame and recognition - and one which she greatly enjoyed playing - was that of Norma Sullivan, the vulnerable and harrassed receptionist of the emergency wing in the series Casualty.



Away from acting, Kristen had an intense love of the countryside. She married the Scottish actor Jain Cuthbertson in the 1970s and they became tenants of a National Trust property called Rockcliffe on the Solway Firth. She adored the Galloway hills and would walk over them for hours with her two Afghan hounds. Latterly, she moved to Ancrum in Roxburghshire to

nurse her mother. In the last few months of her life when she was suffering severely from cancer she was moved to Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. A lady in the bed next to hers thought she recognised her and asked whether they had seen each other in Safeway. "Aye, that'll be it," quipped Kristen, enjoying the humour of the situation even to the end.

Her marriage to lain Cutherbertson ended in divorce. They had no children.

PROFESSOR TADEUS REICHSTEIN

Professor Tadeus Reichstein. narmacologist, djed in Basie, Switzerland, on August I aged 99. He was born in Wioclawek. Poland on July 20, 1897.

A NOBEL-prizewinning scientist whose work helped to build the modern bridge spanning organic chemistry and medicine, Tadeus Reichstein made his first momentous contribution to pharmacology in 1933 when he devised a method of synthesising vitamin C.

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year later, working in parallel with clinical pharmacologists in America, he began to study hormonal structure in the adrenal cortex.

Between them these scientists isolated more than 40 different substances, many of which performed vital roles. Among these Reichstein identified aldosterone which controis the salt:water ratio of the human body and, more famously, corticosterone, now known as curtisone, the antiinflammatory steroid effective in the treatment of arthritis.

He published his preliminary findings in 1935, but the complexity of his research was such that it was more than 30 years later that the study was completed.

Among the vital steroids named were those which mediated the immune response, controlled nervous development, determined sex and governed the rate of metabolism of sugars. Of these a total of about 30 were isolated and synthesised by Reichstein and his team and in 1950 he, and the American scientists Edward Kendall and Philip Hench, were jointly awarded the Nobel Prize for Medicine

Tadeus Reichstein was born into a Jewish family living in Poland but, unsettled by the growing anti-Semitism in Eastern Europe, he and his family moved when he was just eight years old, first to Berlin and then, three years later, to Zurich. He was granted Swiss citizenship in 1914. Reichstein studied at the

and Physiology.

Zurich Technical University. graduating with a degree in chemical engineering in 1920. He found work for a short time in industry but his talents were under-used outside the sphere of research, and he soon returned to the university to study for a doctorate under the Nobel Prize winner. Hermann Staudinger. Together they investigated the odiferous constituents of coffee and chicory. Their work was to provide the basis of powdered coffee.

In 1930 Reichstein accepted

a lecturer's post at his university in the then new research speciality of physiological chemistry. He began to study the structure and synthesis of carbohydrates, often waiting vears for crystallisation to take place. His talent quickly drew international recognition and in 1934 he was appointed assistant professor, and three years later associate professor. In 1938, not long after he had begun his work on the isolation of hormones in the adrenal cortex, he moved to Basle University to take up a post as head of the pharmacy department, and it was there that he continued his Nobel

Prize winning work. In the 1950s Basle opened its world renowned Institute for Organic Chemistry of which Reichstein was director until he retired at the age of 70. He was awarded the Royal Society's Coplay Medal in 1908.

However, despite his retirement from the directorship, he continued to work at the institute and to head postgraduate research groups. He remained at the institute even after the age of 75, at which point he had suddenly announced his determination to become a botanist: in the ensuing 25 years he was to establish an international reputation in this field too, as an expert in the classification of

Tadeus Reichstein married in 1927. Louise von Ufford. He is survived by a daughter.

ABDUL RAHMAN BABU

Sheikh Abdul Rahman Muhammad Babu, former Tanzanian politician, died in the London Chest Hospital on August 5 aged 71. He was born in Zanzibar on

A COMMITTED Pan-Africanist, Abdul Rahman Muhammad Babu fought throughout his life for the liberation of his continent from colonial rule. He was a prominent member of international Left-wing circles, his friends and collaborators including such figures as Che Guevara. Chou-en-Lai, Malcolm X, and Pakistan's Zulfikar Ali Bhutto.

Abdul Rahman Muhammad Babu was born into a distinguished religious family. His forefathers had migrated from Mecca to Iraq and to Hadhramaut in southern Yemen. For a time Babu's father lived and worked in Mozambique, before moving to Zanzi-bar where he served briefly as the Portuguese consul.

After an early grounding in Islamic education, Babu went on to study at the Government Central School in Zanzibar. But, after a time as a clerk with the Clove Growers Association, he moved to London in 1950. There he was exposed to radical politics and was for a time an anarchist. He worked closely with Lord (Fenner) Brockway in the Movement

for Colonial Freedom. In 1957 he returned to Africa to work as secretary general for the pro-independence Zanzibar Nationalist Party (ZNP). But his work was interrupted in 1962 when, after publishing an editorial alleging that the British had turned Zanzibar into a police state, he was imprisoned for sedition. He became something of a hero during his brief incarceration



and his eventual release was marked by festivities. But the adulation proved short-lived. After fundamental disagree-

ments with the more conservative faction of the ZNP, Babu left the party in 1963 and founded the Marxist Umma Party. Now he was cast as a bogeyman who would turn "mosques into bairs", misleading the youth. It was, indeed, among the youth that he found his most dedicated following. "Babu's boys", as his supporters came to be known, were to play a crucial role in the 1964 revolution.

Zanzibar, which had been a British protectorate since 1890, had become an independent sultanate at the end of 1963. But in the armed uprising of 1964 the sultan was deposed and a republic proclaimed. Though this revolution was the brainchild of the Afro-Shirazi Party, lead by the burly former boatman Sheikh Abeid Karume, it was Babu's Umma Party which gave it its ideological ballast.

The ill-educated Karume was not comfortable with Babu, Nor was Julius Nyerere in neighbouring Tanganyika. He and Karume with the encouragement of the United States - also uncomfortable with events in Zanzibar (the "Cuba of Africa") - hastily united their countries to form Tanzania in April 1964. At the time Babu, by then

holding his first ministerial portfolio as Zanzibar's foreign affairs and external trade minister, was in Pakistan. Although he opposed the manner in which the Union was formed, there was little he could do to reverse the decision. On his return home, he was reshuffled and sent to work in Nyerere's office as planning minister. It was the first of a number of ministerial positions which he held in the

Union Government until 1971. when he was dropped by

In April 1972 Karume was assassinated and Babu, although out fishing when the deed was done, was arrested una aetainea dy out trial until 1978. He was accused of being the leader of

a plot to oust the Government. On his release, Babu left Tanzania to teach at universities in the USA and in Britain. He also wrote extensively for a number of international journals. But his only published book was African Socialism or Socialist Africa (1981). Towards the end of his life

he abandoned many of his earlier postures, conceding that mistakes had been made. He began to champion democracy, accepting that a multiparty system was necessary for development. Though himself an anti-monarchist, he worked closely with King Moshoshoe of Lesotho, who was in exile in London, to form a pan-African human rights organisation to fight for what they called "Africa's second liberation".

Throughout his political career. Babu was supported by Ashura, his wife. They were divorced in the early 1990s, and this had a detrimental effect on Babu's reentry into mainstream Tanzanian politics in 1995. Ashura would probably have prevented him from committing the blunder of joining the hopeless struction and Reform which had adopted him as its vicepresidential running mate. He was disqualified from running by the Government because he had spent time in detention on treason charges.

Babu is survived by three sons and a daughter. Another daughter pre-deceased him.

SCOTTISH POISON **MYSTERY**

Dingwall. August 18. The death-roll resulting from accidental poisoning at Lochmaree, Gairloch, Ross-shire, through eating sandwiches that contained preserved potted meat has been increased to seven, two more of the The following is a list of the dead:

Mr John Stewart. 70. cloth merchant of Fallside, Paisley: Mr William Vickers Dixon, Blackrock, Co Dublin, and Mrs Dixon, his wife: Mr John F. Talbot RA: Mr Edward Gordon Williams, 66, harrister of London: Mrs Rosamund Sophia Anderson, wife of Major Anderson, DSO Scaforth Highlanders, Parliament Sreet, London; Kenneth Mac-Lennan, ghillie, of Aulthea.

It is stated that an official investigation discloses no neglect or want of precaution on the part of anyone. Medical opinion, in effect, is that rather than ptomaine poisoning, with the implication of bad meat, some food poison organism was the cause of the deaths. One expert is understood to have said that this was less surprising in the case of preserved meat than in meat freshly killed and freshly cooked, which stood no risk of contamination from an accidental and undiscovered defect in a

ON THIS DAY

August 19, 1922

Sandwiches provided by a Scottish hotel, which contained preserved potted meat, were believed to have caused the deaths of seven people.

containing vessel. Gairloch is a long way off the beaten track. The railway is 30 miles away. and there is no telephone. On Monday morning various parties arranged for a day on the hill or the loch, and the hotel management provided sandwiches for those who did not expect to return to luncheon.

The sandwiches were made fresh on Monday morning. There were three cold roast meat sandwiches in each packet, and three sandwiches either of preserved notted meat, or potted chicken and ham, or potted turkey and tongue, the latter both of the preserved type. The evidence is that those, and only those with

perhaps one doubtful exception, who had potted meat sandwiches became ill.

In the evening the guests dined at the hotel. It was only about breakfast time the next morning that the first and not very pro-nounced symptoms were experienced. Young Mr Talbot had not come down, and his father. Mr G, J. Talbot, KC, of London, went up to see him. His son excused himself from breakfast, saying that he had double vision and was not quite fit. Later Mr Williams, another of the guests, made practically an identical comregarded as a joke, but before long symptoms pointing to some disturbing agency were more clearly discovered in dizziness among the guests, cases of actual sickness, and later, a distressing form of paralysis which affected the muscles of the throat, ultimately making speech impossible. Consciousness persisted to the end in each case, and the sufferers, unable to speak, communicated their wishes and explained their symptoms in writing.

Alarm spread in the hotel, and medical aid was quickly obtained. Altogether six medical men considered the cases and attended the sufferers. The distress of the latter deepened, although there was very little pain, and general collapse followed. Another ghillie is suffering, but there are hopes of his recovery.

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THE TIMES TODAY

NEWS

Belgian police find two bodies

Belgian police are convinced they are on the trail of a gang of murderous paedophiles after the discovery of the decaying bodies of two eight-year-old girls.

At least six more children may have been victims of the childsex network centred on the city of Charleroi. The two bodies. discovered trussed and folded into blue plastic sacks, were dug up in the back garden of Marc Dutroux, 39, who is an unemployed electrician, in the village of Sars-la-

MPs in backlash over identity cards

■ Michael Howard is facing a backlash among Conservative backbench MPs angered that the Union Jack might be dropped from the national identity card to avoid offending nationalists in Northern Ireland.

William Wates, 19, the son of Andrew Wates, the multimillionaire builder and part-owner of this year's Grand National winner Rough Quest, has been shot

dead in Honduras Page 1

Teenager shot dead

Another book

New accounting rules are to be sent to Church of England vicars to make it harder for them to break the commandment, thou shalt not steal. ... Page !

Tory strategy

Senior Tory strategists are preparing to ditch past election tactics aimed at wooing "Essex Man" in a final effort to win back lost voters in marginal constituencies...

IRA inquiry

The IRA has begun one of its most far-reaching internal inquiries after a series of damaging undercover operations by the security authorities ...

Vicar mourned

Parishioners of the Rev Christopher Gray, the clergyman killed outside his own church last week, gathered there in sombre mood for the first Sunday communion since his death Page 5

Palace decision

Buckingham Palace officials will discuss today whether to begin legal action against four freelance photograhers they want to keep out of the Balmoral estate Page 5

Dancing with danger More than eight out of 10 professional dancers are injured annually, their bodies left vulnerable by poor diet, long hours and draughty rehearsal roomsPage 6 Museum sued

The Fitzwilliam Museum in Cambridge faces legal action over a multimillion-pound bequest of Renaissance bronzes whose ownership is being contested.. Page 7

A murder too many? A German multinational executive's murder has shaken South Africa's nervous foreign businesses and injected urgency into anti-

crime strategies Perot success

Ross Perot became America's third official presidential candidate, brushing aside a challenge for his new Reform Party's nomination from Richard Lamm, the former Colorado governor Page 9

Detested mayor

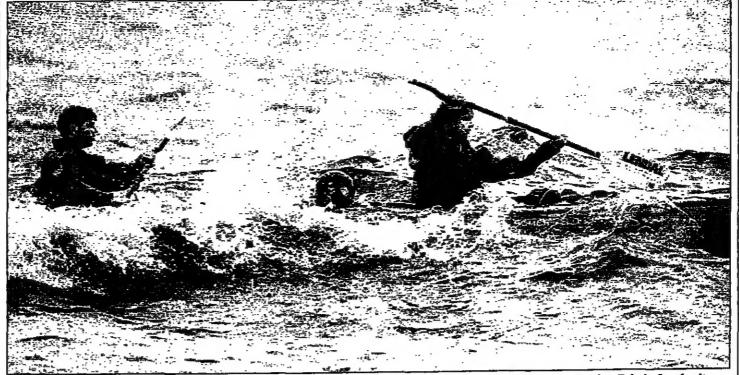
Jacques Bompard, the National Front mayor of Orange, has become one of France's most feared and detested men, and a hero to the extreme right second only to Front leader Jean-Marie Le Pen

Russian failure

The Chechen war has highlighted the failure of Russia's armed forces to learn the lessons of Afghanistan, a report in Jane's Intelligence Review says Page II

Flying into the record books

A seabird that nests on an Orkney island has become the world's oldest-known wild bird. The female fulmar, known as number 57, is more than 50 and scientists have been monitoring it on Evnhallow since the early 1950s. It took the title after a black-browed albatross, ringed at the same time, failed to return to its New Zealand nest site this year...... Page 5



Steve Macdonald, left, who is blind, and Peter Bray, off Scotland's west coast. The canoeists are circumnavigating Britain for charity

BUSINESS

Pay: The CBI has logged a downturn in manufacturing pay awards to an average of only 3.2 per cent in the three months to July, helping to squeeze inflation in the lifth year of economic expansion. But there are growing fears of a winter of

Ferries: P&O and Stena are expected to start talks on combining their cross-Channel ferry operations after being given permission by the Government to collaborate in order to raise fares Page 44

Lloyd's: The London insurance market faces the final challenge to its last-ditch rescue plan in a Virginia court this week as 34,000 names decide whether to accept the complex £3.2 billion settlement

ARTS

Pop festival: The 14-act V96 touring event kicks off in Chelmsford with only trees to spoil the view of a fine parade of British talent, led by a fizzing Pulp... .. Page 16

Fine Restoration: Love in a Wood. the play that set the template for the convoluted amorous intrigues in every Restoration comedy that .. Page 16

Edinburgh low: The Festival's theatrical subdivision continues to disappoint with a satirical spin-off from a 16th-century play that lacks all the original's virtues Page 17

Edinburgh high: On a much happier note, Bryn Terfel's voice manages the rare trick of filling the Usher Hall not just with an audience and a voice, but with a

FEATURES

Hidden History: Continuing our oc-Boyes investigates..... last years were marked by a family

MIND AND MATTER

Spare flesh: Are we really what we eat? Junk food and a lazy life may play a part in obesity, but increasingly scientists believe genes may control weight...

IN THE TIMES

the Serpentine Gallery

LAW

casional series. The Times unravels a tale of illicit love between a privileged but naïve young wife and a dashing prince...... Page 13 Old hatreds: Six years after Communism's collapse, racist tones are creeping back into the political vocabulary in eastern Europe. Roger Dear father: Somerset Maugham's

mains undiminished Page 15

feud, but his only child's love re-

TOMORROW

ARTS

Richard Wilson creates mayhem in

The case that has taken 16 years, 50 court appearances and tens of thousands of pounds to win

Max 24C to 28C (75F to 82F).

Chelsea manager finished in a scoreless draw with Southampton at The Dell Cricket England have called up Robert Croft, Glamorgan's off spinner, and dropped wicketkeeper Jack Russell for the final Test against PakistanPage 29

Golf: Emilee Klein, of the United States, won the Women's British Open Championship by seven strokes at Woburn ...

SPORT

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Football: Ruud Gullit's debut as

poised for an historic series victory in South Africa after winning the opening tour match Page 35 Equestrianism: Nelson Pessoa, of

Rugby union: New Zealand are

Brazil, 61, won his third Silk Cut Derby at Hickstead Page 29 Paralympics: In Atlanta, Simon Jackson, the partially sighted judo

fighter from Rochdale, won the

gold medal again Page 35 Racing: Lanfranco Dettori, the champion jockey, capped a brilliant comeback by winning the Prix Morny at Deauville on Bahamian BountyPage 32

NATIONAL LOTTERY

2, 28, 33, 39, 42, 44. Bonus: 46. One winner collects the £8.9 million jackpot. Another 18 tickets with five numbers and the bonus win £152,891 each. Five numbers earn 1,023 winners £1,681, and 66,807 with four collect £56.

TVLISTINGS

Preview: Trekkies can tune in to the pilot with Jeffrey Hunter in Star Trek: The Cage (BBC2, 6.25). Review: Peter Barnard finds lessons to be learnt from the Dionne quintuplets' lives

OPINION

Stars and snipes

Mr Howard has to allay suspicions that this is but the first step towards an ID card that tells the State more than it has any busing to know. Page 19

Bureaucratic haze

The summer's heat is here again. and so is the noxious cocktail that reddens eyes and kills asthmatics. Last year's promises have disappeared into a bureaucratic haze as thick and unpleasant as that over city centres Page 19

Escape from Kandahar Who did not rejoice with the seven dare-devil Russian hostages at their courageous escape from captivity in Afghanistan? It was a story worthy of James Bond, Indiana Jones or even Biggles Page 19

COLUMNS ROBERT BLAKE

Historically, the Conservatives have been seriously fragmented only when there is a question of policy so important and divisive that a really substantial group feels a major national interest is at

PETER RIDDELL

The Government ought to be welcoming the utility regulators' activism as a means to highlight privatisation, one of its few big successes since 1979

DECLARES

The Very Rev Eric Evans. Dean of St Paul's: Anne Kristen, Scottish actress; Professor Tadeus Reichstein. Nobel-prizewinning pharmacologist ...

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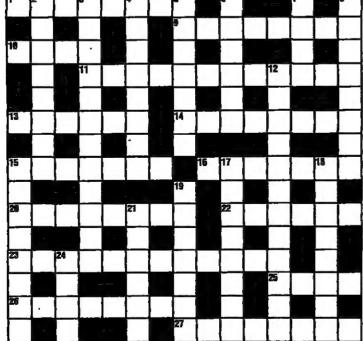
LETTERS

Collapse of civic identity: Roman Britian: changing gun laws;marriage vows; abortion; bellringing ..

THE PAPERS

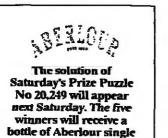
History is not proving a good adviser to King Husain of Jordan. The popular explosions over bread prices are a carbon copy of the 1989 — La Repubblica

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- 1 As secret ring I organised could be
- 9 Snake skin carried by a northern woman (S).
- 10 Tongue some devour dutifully (4). 11 Wood, for example? Yes and no (3-
- 13 Stories about the goddess (6).
- 14 National appeal involving Scandinavians (8). 15 Saucy lady's skirts in latest fash-
- ion (7). 3 16 Unrivalled Liberal dropped titled woman (7).
- 20 Continental converts are one-up 22 Excursion requiring road toll (b).
- 23 Humble outlook of one threatened 25 Woman accommodating pupil?

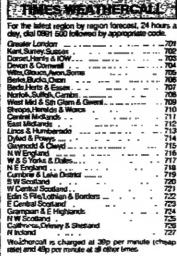


highland malt whisky.

- 26 For example, grandfather's ac-27 Clearly taken by surprise, though

- 2 Southern writer and athlete (8). 3 What might produce raging torrents and mud around Holyhead?
- 4 It's precipitately produced by an artist during the autumn (8). 5 Critical comment written inside
- cover for galley (7). 6 Forthright contender dined out (6). 7 Flavour turned up - possible cause of strain when swallowing
- 8 Impartiality deserved only by the brave? (8).
- 12 Like Mary, say prudent, on the other hand (12). 15 Part of guitar composition, possibly a good deal ornamented (8).
- 17 One sitting in a pit surrounded by river (8). 18 Ruddy confident! (8).
- 19 Big fire in Rio ultimately consum ing plant (7).
- 21 Female adviser raised capital to support, say, queen (6). 24 Draw the line as judge? (4).

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FORECAST ☐ General: Much of England and Wales ☐ General: Much of England and Wales will be very hot with long sunny spells, but the west and southwest will become cloudier, with an increasing risk of thundery showers. Light winds will leep coasts a bit tresher, but may turn gusty in showers. Northern 'ireland and western Scotland will be mostly cloudy, with showers or periods of rain, some heavy. The Northern letes will be rather creav and misty, but

isles will be rather grey and misty, but eastern parts of mainland Scotlend will be very warm with some sunshine. Showers very warm with some sunsnine, anowers likely later. Winds no more than moderate. London, SE, Cent S, E, Cent N England, E Anglis, Midlands: Dry with surry spells, prolonged in places. Wind SE light or moderate. Very hot. Cooler on Max 28C to 31C (82F to 88F).

☐ Channel Is, SW England, Wales: Surmy intervals. Increasing risk of thundery showers. Wind S or variable mainly light

I NW England, Lakes, IoM, SW Scotland, Glasgow: Surny intervals at first, showery rain later Wind S or SE mainly light Hot. Max 27C to 29C (81F to 84F). ME England, Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, Aberdeen, Cent Highlands, Moray Firth: Sunny spells, but increasing risk of showers later. Wind S or SE mainly light. Max 23C to 26C (73F to 79F). Mostly overcast and rather misly, perhaps some rain later Wind S or S mainly moderate. Max 16C to 19C (61F to 66F) ☐ Argyli, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Most-ly cloudy, ram or showers, some heavy Wind mainly S moderate, locally light variable tater. Max 18C to 21C (64F to 70F).

Outlook: Thundery rain or showers edging eastwards Then brighter, tresher.

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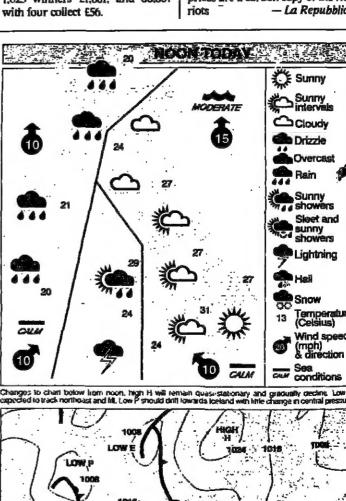


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